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AT the second meeting of the general assembly of said state, begun and held at Corydon, in the county of Harrison, on Monday the first day of December A. D. 1817, the following members appeared, to wit:

From the county of Posey,	Samuel Conner.
From the county of Warrick,	Ratcliff Boon.
From the county of Gibson,	James Campbell & Richard Daniel.
From the county of Knox,	Geo. R. C. Sullivan, John M'Clure & Robert Buntin.
From the county of Harrison,	James B. Slaughter, Jacob Zenor and William D. Littell.
From the county of Orange,	Samuel Chambers.
From the county of Jackson,	William Graham.
From the county of Washington,	Samuel Milroy and Alexander Little.
From the county of Clark,	Benjamin Ferguson and Thomas Carr.
From the county of Jefferson,	Williamson Dunn,
From the county of Switzerland,	Ralph Cotton.
From the county of Dearborn,	Amos Lane.

From the county of Franklin, } Stephen S. Stevens, James Snowden and John Bryson.

From the county of Wayne, } Joseph Holman, John Scott and Robert Hill.

Who, after having produced their credentials, were sworn in the usual form, and took their seats.

The house proceeded by ballot to elect a speaker, and upon examination it appeared that Amos Lane, was duly elected and was conducted to the chair.

The house then proceeded by ballot to elect a clerk, and upon examination it appeared that John F. Ross was duly elected, and was thereupon sworn into office.

The house then proceeded by ballot to elect a door-keeper, and upon examination it appeared that Robert Biggs was duly elected, who came in and was sworn into office.

Dann Lynn, a member from Posey county, came in, produced his credentials, was sworn in the usual form and took his seat.

On motion of Mr. Dunn,

Resolved, that a committee be appointed, to wait on the Rev. B. Adams, and request him to attend in the Representative Chamber immediately and open the present session of the General Assembly, by solemn prayer; and thereupon Messrs. Dunn and Conner were appointed that committee.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker, I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that the senate have convened, formed a quorum, elected James Dill secretary and Henry Batman Door-keeper, and are now ready to proceed to Legislative business.

The Rev. B. Adams, accompanied by the committee, who were appointed to wait on him, came in, performed divine service, by solemn prayer and then withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,

Resolved, that the clerk of this house inform the senate that they have formed a quorum, elected Amos Lane Speaker, John F. Ross clerk, and Robert Biggs door-

keeper, and are now ready to proceed to Legislative business.

Charles Beggs, a member from Clark county, and Nathaniel Hunt, a member from Jefferson county, came in, were sworn in the usual form and took their seats.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan,

Resolved, that a committee of elections be appointed, & that the clerk hand to the chairman thereof the certificates of the Returned members elect; & thereupon, Messrs. Sullivan, Ferguson and Stevens were appointed that committee.

On motion of Mr. Boon,

Resolved, that the rules and orders for the government of the house of Representatives of the state of Indiana, which were adopted at the last session of the General Assembly, be adopted as the rules and orders of this house during the present session.

The speaker laid before the house a communication from Moses Wiley, a member elect from the county of Dearborn; which was read, and on motion of Mr. Stevens, ordered that the said communication be considered as the resignation of the said Moses Wiley, and that the governor be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed, on the part of this house, to act with a similar committee on the part of the senate, to wait upon the governor, and inform him, that a quorum of both houses have met, and are ready to receive any communication which he may be pleased to make to the two houses, in the representative chamber; and learn from his Excellency, at what time he will choose to make his communication; and that the senate be informed thereof.

And the house adjourned until to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

TUESDAY, December 2.

The house met persuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,

Resolved, That a committee of enrolled bills be appointed, to consist of three members, to act in conjunction with

a similar committee on the part of the senate, and that the senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Carr,

The house proceeded to elect an assistant clerk; and upon examination, it appeared that John N. Dunbar was duly elected.

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke.

Mr. Speaker, I am directed to inform this house, that the senate have appointed Messrs. Paul and Pennington, a committee to wait upon the governor, jointly with a committee of this house, and inform his Excellency, the two houses have formed a quorum, and are ready to receive any communications he may be pleased to make;—also, to learn from him, at what time he will make such communication.

Mr. Sullivan, from the joint committee, appointed to wait on his Excellency the governor, and inform him that the two houses of the General Assembly had formed a quorum, reported, that the said committee had performed that duty; and had received for answer from his Excellency, that on this day, at eleven o'clock A. M. a communication would be made to both houses, in the representative chamber.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan,

A committee of ways and means was appointed; and thereupon Messrs. Sullivan, Slaughter, Milroy, Stevens, and Hunt, were appointed that committee.

Mr. Beggs moved that the assistant clerk be now sworn into office, and the question being put, it was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan,

Ordered, That the senate be informed, that the house of representatives are now ready to receive them, in the representative chamber, for the purpose of receiving the governor's communication.

The senate came in, and took their seats on the right of the representative chamber, when, by Robert A. New, Esq. secretary of state, the following message was received from his Excellency the Governor:

Gentlemen of the Senate, and
of the House of Representatives——

Since the close of the last session of the legislature, it

is pleasing to announce, that no untoward events, affecting the interest or prosperity of this state, have transpired. Notwithstanding, there are several subjects deserving your attention, and incumbent on me to present for your consideration.

The statute laws of the state, have become so obcsure, from the multiplied amendatory and supplemental acts, that to ascertain the duties of the citizens, as well as of public functionaries, is rendered difficult; and particularly so to the former. It is believed, after performing the duties, which the common avocations of life demand, but little time will be allowed for the greater portion of the citizens to inform themselves of the mandates of our statutory laws, involved in all their present uncertainty. It is submitted to the legislature to determine, whether, as a mode the least expensive, the selection of suitable characters, to whom the revision of the laws shall be confided, be the most eligible; subject nevertheless to your rejection, in whole or in part, at the next meeting of the general assembly. The revision of our penal code, demands the attention of the present session. To ensure the punishment of crime, the penal laws should be tempered with a degree of mildness, becoming the nature of our government and the feelings of its citizens.

The revision of the Militia law, will claim your early attention, without which, the organization of the militia cannot be completed; and connected with this subject, an additional salary to the adjutant general, is recommended, whose services and responsibility render it advisable. The imperfect assessment of the taxes for the present year, produced perhaps, in consequence of the late period at which the laws of the last session were promulgated, may render it necessary to resort to a moderate loan; on condition, that it may be required to meet the demands, hereafter to be created, on the Treasury.

A further examination into the accounts of the late territory, is recommended, as it has been found, that, the demands on the state, under the character of territorial warrants, which have been liquidated, far exceed, in their amount, the calculation by a committee of the house of representatives, at their last session.

Although it is desirable to have the demands wich exist

against the state, under the character of territorial warrants, liquidated as soon as possible ; it is left to your deliberation to determine, whether, it will be more expedient to allow a further time for the adjustment of those demands, that are yet outstanding ; rather than to legislate speciall. on those claims, whensoever they may be presented for your consideration.

The right of trial by jury forms one of t e fundamental principles of our government, and an impartial and unbiassed mode of summoning and empanneling juries, so far as it is possible to be attained, will tend to secure impartiality and a proper confidence in the administration of justice throughout the sta e. A radical change therefore, in this part of our jurisprudence, connected with an extension of the jurisdiction of magistrates in criminal cases, is recommended. It is believed, by authorising magistrates in criminal cases, to cause juries to be empanneled and the offenders in *petit* misdemeanors to be brought to speedy trial, the punishment of such crimes will be rendered more certain,—attended with less expense and expedite the administration of justice in the circuit courts.

Resolutions have been transmitted to me from the governors of the states of New-Jersey and Connecticut, in behalf of the legislatures of those states, proposing an amendment of the constitution of the United States, relative to the mode of electing representatives to congress, and electors of President and Vice President of the United States; and from the governor of Kentucky, resolutions proposing likewise, an amendment to t e federal constitution, in relation to varying the compensation of the members of the congress of the United States. I have received, also, a communication from his excellency governor Clinton, President of the board of canal commissioners, accompanied by documents relative to the contemplated navigable communication between the great western and north western lakes and the Atlantic ocean.—A resolution from the governor of Pennsylvania, appointing a commissioner on the part of that state, to meet such commissioners as may have been, or shall be appointed on behalf of the states of Ohio, Virginia, Kentucky and Indiana, or either of them, to examine the obstructions in the Ohio river, and estimate the probable expence that would attend their removal ; each of which will be submitted for your considera-

tion. The removal of the obstructions in the navigation of the Ohio river at the falls, by opening a canal, has become an object of great importance ; particularly to this state, as the most certain means of securing an uninterrupted transportation of the vast and increasing commerce embarked on its waters. The act of the last session, incorporating a canal company for the accomplishment of this great object, has been found insufficient, and not so liberal in its provisions, as to ensure the attention of capitalists ; even of those who are directly interested in its execution : and it will be with you to determine, whether it shall undergo the necessary alterations, or whether this first effort of the state, for internal improvement, shall fail for want of public patronage.

The commencement of a State Library forms a subject of too much interest not to meet your attention. I recommend to your consideration, the propriety of requiring by law, a per centum on the proceeds of the sales of town lots, to be paid for the support of schools and establishment of libraries therein ; as well as a like per centum on the sales of any additional lots, which may be added to any town plat, whether a county seat or otherwise. The establishment of a system of common schools, throughout the inhabited portion of our state, will meet that consideration which its importance dictates. The operation of such a system, so arranged as to afford the means to every description of our citizens, to educate their children, will secure the morals of the rising generation ; the better prepare them for the discharge of their several and respective duties ; and to estimate the value of our free institutions—the surest guarantees of that love of country, so essential to the permanence of our form of government.

Permit me again, to introduce to your attention, the subject of slaves escaping into this state, and to suggest the propriety, of making further provision by law, calculated to restrain them from fleeing to this state to avoid their lawful owners ; and to enable the judges of the circuit courts, or any judge of the supreme court, in vacation, to decide with the aid of a jury, upon all claims of this character, without delay. This subject in the adjoining state of Kentucky, has produced some excitement in the citizens, and an interferance on the part of their legislature. To preserve harmony between our state and every other

so far as may depend on our exertions, is a duty, the discharge of which, is intimately connected with our best interest as a state, and solemnly required of Indiana, as a member of the Union.

Whilst on our own part, we endeavor to promote the happiness of those foreign to this state, it will also be our, duty, to cultivate harmony and concord among our own citizens:—so necessary to secure private happiness or public prosperity, and for the accomplishment of objects so desirable, it behoves us to seek, with a becoming confidence, the blessings of the Omnipotent disposer of events, upon your exertions for the prosperity and welfare of those, who have confided their interests to your care.

JONATHAN JENNINGS.

The senate retired to their chamber.

On motion of Mr. Stevens,

Ordered, That five hundred copies of the governor's message, be immediately printed, for the use of the members of the general assembly.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed on the part of this house, to act in conjunction with a similar committee on the part of the senate, to draft and report joint rules for the government of the present session of the general assembly; and that the senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan,

Ordered, That the rules for the government of the house of representatives at their last session, be deemed and taken as the rules, for the government of this house, until other rules and orders are adopted, so far as they agree with the constitution.

On motion of Mr. Dunn,

Ordered, That a committee be appointed, to prepare and report rules for the government of this house, during the present session.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,

Ordered, That the governor's message be refered to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,

Ordered, That Mr. Dunbar be requested to come in, and take the oath of office as assistant clerk.

Mr. Dunbar came in, and took the oath of office as assistant clerk.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 3.

House met persuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Stevens,

Ordered, That two additional members be added to the committee for enrolled bills, and whereupon Messrs. Ferguson, Sullivan, Stevens, Daniel and Hunt, were appointed that committee—*ordered*, that the senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Milroy laid before the house, the petition of William F. Thompson and others, praying for the formation of a new county, out of the counties of Orange, Jackson and Washington ; which was read, and on motion, was refered to a select committee, with leave to report by bill or otherwise ; and thereupon Messrs. Milroy, Chambers, Littell, Graham and Zenor, were appointed that committee.

Mr. Ferguson laid before the house, the petition of the Ohio canal company, which was read ; and on motion, refered to a select committee, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Stevens,

Ordered, That a committee be appointed, to take into consideration the propriety of altering the present mode of changing the *venue*, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The speaker appointed the following committees :

Committee to draft and report rules for the government of the house—Messrs. Sullivan, Stevens, Daniel, Bacon, Little, Hunt, Holman, Ferguson, Milroy, Graham, Dunn, and Buntin.

Committee to enquire into the expediency of changing the present mode of changing the *venue*—Messrs. Stevens, Sullivan, Daniel, M'Clure and Conner.

Mr. Ferguson laid before the house, the petition of Jabez Percival, which was read, and Mr. Stevens then moved, that the further consideration of the said petition, be indefinitely postponed ; which motion was decided in

the negative. And on motion of Mr. Ferguson, *ordered*, that the said petition be refered to a select committee, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Sullivan laid before the house, the petition of William Talbot and others, on the subject of slavery; which was read, and on motion, refered to a select committee, with leave to report to this house.

Mr. Ferguson laid before the house, the petition of John Eastburn and others, praying for the formation of a new county, out of the counties of Clark and Harrison; which was read, and on motion, refered to a select committee, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Graham laid before the house, the remonstrance of Richard Beem and others, of Jackson county, praying that no division be made so as to reduce the county of Jackson; which was read, and refered to the committee, to whom was refered the petition of Wm. F. Thompson and others.

Mr. Sullivan moved, that the house now proceed to the appointment of a chaplin, for the present session of the general assembly, by ayes and nays; whereupon, the question being put, it was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Stevens,

Ordered, That a committee be appointed, to enquire into the expediency of altering the law, relative to public roads and highways.

Mr. Stevens laid before the house, sundry petitions of the inhabitants of Franklin county, praying for the formation of a new county; which were read, and refered to a select committee, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

A message was received from the senate, informing the house of representatives, that the senate had appointed Messrs. Ferris, Depauw and Polke, a committee on the part of the senate, to act with a similar committee on the part of the house of representatives, to consult on the propriety of revising the laws of this state, and to report to their respective houses.

On motion of Mr. Milroy,

Ordered, That the door keeper be instructed to employ some person to set up the stove in the representative chamber, which was purchased for the use of this house, at the last session of the general assembly.

The speaker laid before the house, a communication

from the honorable Robert A. New, secretary of state; which was read, and is as follows:

To the Honorable, the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the State of Indiana.

In compliance with a requisition of the general assembly, made by law, at their last session—the secretary of of state begs leave to submit the following report; sanctioned by the approbation of his associates, the Auditor and Treasurer of state.

They have contracted with A. and J. Brandon, for the execution of the public printing, on the following conditions:—The bills, laws and journals, at fifty cents the thousand m's; and fifty cents per token, (or one side of ten quires, press work:) the paper being a separate charge, at cost and carriage; adding fifty per cent for figured work; to be done in a workmanlike manner, on a good type, at the rate of thirty-two pages per week, after the copy is furnished;—at which rate, if the journals are furnished daily, they will be printed as fast as they progress; so that each member may carry home with him, his copy of the journals, except a few of the last sheets. And a volume of laws of no more than 200 pages will be completed in six weeks after the rising of the Legislature, or after the copy is in the possession of the printer.

Your committee have contracted with Allen D. Thom for stationary, (viz.) paper, ink-powder, quills, & wafers, at the same prices they can be obtained for at the Louisville book and stationary stores; and with Jacob Zenor for fuel, for the legislature at one dollar and twenty-five cents per day.

For the faithful performance of which contracts, your committee have been mindful of the injunctions laid on them by "an act providing for public printing, and for other purposes," and have no hesitation in pronouncing it as their opinion, that they will be performed with promptitude and fidelity to the state.

I have the honor to be,
very respectfully, your
obedient servant,
ROBERT A. NEW.

On motion,

Ordered, That the communication just read, lie on the table.

The speaker laid before the house, a communication from the grand jury of Clark county, on the subject of the law relative to estrays; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Boon,

Ordered, That the committee of Ways and Means be instructed to ascertain, what appropriation has been made, and if any has been made, how persons are to be paid for killing of wolves; with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The speaker appointed the following committees, to wit:—Committee on the petition for a new county, to be formed out of the counties of Clark and Harrison, Messrs. Ferguson, Carr, Beggs, Slaughter, Zenor, Littell, and Buntin.

On the petition, on the subject of the abolition of slavery, Messrs. Stevens, Snowden, Hill, Bryson, Milroy, Dunn and M'Clure.

On the petition of William F. Thompson and others, praying for a new county, to be formed out of the counties of Orange, Jackson and Washington, Messrs. Milroy, Chambers, Littell, Graham and Zenor.

A message from the governor, by the honorable Robert A. New, which was read, and is as follows:

December 3d, 1817.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives,

SIR—I have herewith the honor to present to the senate, the documents refered to in my communication of yesterday.

With great respect, I have the honor to be, your obedient servant,

JONATHAN JENNINGS.

On motion,

Ordered, That the documents accompanying the governor's message, be refered to the committee of the whole on the governor's message, and made the order of the day for Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Little,

Mr. Dunn was appointed on the committee, on the petition of William F. Thompson and others.

The speaker appointed Messrs. Ferguson, Stevens, Hunt, Buntin and Holman, on the petition of the Ohio canal company.—And Messrs. Stevens, Campbell, Scott, Bryson and Lynn, a committee to enquire into the expediency of altering the law relative to public roads and highways.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

THURSDAY, Dec. 4.

House met persuant to adjournment.

Mr. Holman presented the petition of Ephraim Overman and others, praying for a new county, to be formed out of the north part of Wayne county; which was read, and refered to the committee, to whom was refered the petition of sundry inhabitants of Franklin, praying for the formation of a new county, out of the counties of Franklin and Wayne, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee to whom was refered the petition of John Eastburn and others; reported that the said committee have had the same under consideration, and were of opinion, that the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted; and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition: which report was, on motion, committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan,

Ordered, That the door keeper be directed to call upon Allen D. Thom, and request him to furnish immediately, one dozen ink stands, of a low price, for the use of this house.

Mr. Ferguson presented the petition of Alexander Buckner, praying relief from the operation of the act, entitled "an act to prevent dueling," which was read, and on motion of Mr. Sullivan, committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Monday next.

Mr. Hunt, having obtained leave, presented the petition of William Colhoon and others, praying that the seat of justice of Wayne county may be re-established at the town of Salisbury; which was read, and on motion, refered to the committee to who was refered the petition of

sundry inhabitants of Franklin county, praying for the formation of a new county, to be formed out of the counties of Franklin and Wayne, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris:

Mr. Speaker—The senate have on their part, appointed Messrs. Montgomery and Ferris a committe for enrolled bills, to act with such as may be appointed on the part of the house of representatives.

Mr. Hunt, having obtained leave, presented the petition of George White, on the subject of a ferry across the Ohio river, at Jeffersonville; which was read, and on motion of Mr. Hunt, committed to a select committee, with leave to report by bill or otherwise; and thereupon messrs. Hunt, Campbell and Chambers, were appointed that committee.

Mr Hill presented the petition of sundry inhabitants of Wayne county, on the subject of the abolition of slavery; which was read, and refered to the committee to whom was refered the petition of William Talbot and others.

On motion of MR. Little,

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the governor's message, and the ducuments refered to therein; MR. Boon in the chair, and after some time spent therein, MR. Speaker resumed the chair, and MR. Boon reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the same under consideration, and had made some progress therein; but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again; whereupon leave was given.

On motion of MR. Sullivan,

Ordered, That the house again resolve itself into a committee of the whole, on the said message, and the documents refered to therein, on to morrow.

And the house adjourned until 3 o'clock P. M.

House met persuant to adjournment.

MR. Ferguson from the committee to whom was refered the petition of Jabez Percival, made the following report:

Mr. Speaker—Your committee to whom was refered the petition of Jabez Percival, by his attorney, Reuben Kidder, beg leave to report, that they have had the same under consideration, and are of opinion that the matters and

things stated in said petition, and what was made known to your committee, are not proper subjects that require legislative enterposition. Your committee would further remark, that the single fact of the majority of the judges of the Supreme Court of Appeals having been concerned, as attornies at law, in a case decided or pending in the circuit court, previous to their coming into office, is not such an interest, as would excuse them from deciding the same.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan,

Ordered, That the report just read, be amended, by striking out of the latter part of the same, from the word *interposition*, to the end.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,

Ordered, That the report, as amended, be refered to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to morrow.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

***FRIDAY*, Dec. 5.**

House met persuant to adjournment.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee appointed to enquire into the expediency of altering the law, relative to the changing of *venues*, reported by bill ; which was read the first time, and on motion, *ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed, to bring in a bill supplementary to the act, entitled "an act organizing circuit courts, and for other purposes;" and thereupon Messrs. Sullivan, Stevens, Ferguson, Hunt and Holman, were appointed that committee.

The speaker appointed Messrs. Sullivan, Dunn and Daniel, a committee on the part of the house of representatives, to prepare and report joint rules for the government of both houses of the present session of the general assembly ; ordered, that the senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Daniel,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire into the unfinished business of the last session of the general assembly, and make report of the same : Whereupon

Messrs. Daniel, Littell, Scott, Ferguson, Boon, Lynn and Conner, were appointed that committee.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee appointed to bring in a bill, supplementary to the act, entitled "an act organizin circuit courts, and for other purposes," reported a bill; which was read the first time, and on motion, ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Stevens gave notice, that he would, on Monday next, bring in a bill, providing for the election of certain township officers, and for other purposes.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the governor's message, and the documents refered to therein, Mr. Little in the chair, and after some time spent therein, mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Little reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said message, and the documents refered to therein, under consideration, and had passed several resolutions thereon, which he handed in at the clerks table, when they were again read, and are as follows:

1. *Resolved*, That so much of the governor's message relative to the manner of revising the statute laws of the late Territory, and the statutes of the state, be refered to a joint committee of both houses; and that the committees report thereon to their respective houses, on Saturday morning next.

2. *Resolved*, That so much of the governor's message, as relates to the revision and amendment of our penal code, be refered to a select committee, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

3. *Resolved*, That, that part of the governor's message, relative to the imperfect assessment of taxes of the present year, rendering it necessary to resort to a moderate loan, be refered to the committee of ways and means.

4. *Resolved*, That, that part of the governor's message, which relates to the mode of summoning and empannelling juries, be refered to a select committee, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

5. *Resolved*, That, as much of the governor's message, as relates to the extention of the jurisdiction of magistrates in certain cases, be refered to a select committee with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

6. *Resolved*, That, that part of the governor's message,

relative to the resolutions received by his Excellency, from the governors of New-Jersey and Connecticut, proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States, with the accompanying documents, be refered to a select committee.

7. *Resolved*, That, that part of the governor's message, relative to the communication received from his Excellency governor Clinton, president of the board of canal commissioners, with the accompanying documents, be refered to a select committee.

8. *Resolved*, That, that part of the governor's message, relative to the resolution of the state of Pennsylvania, received from his Excellency governor Snider, with the accompanying documents, be refered to the same committee to whom was refered the petition of the board of directors of the Ohio canal company.

9. *Resolved*, That, so much of the governor's message, as relates to a further examination of the accounts of the late Territory and Territorial warrants, be refered to a select committee, and that they have the power to send for the necessary books and papers relative thereto.

10. *Resolved*, That so much of the governor's message, as relates to the commencement of a state library, be refered to a select committee.

11. *Resolved*, That, so much of the governor's message, as relates to the establishment of a system of common schools, be refered to a select committee, with leave to report thereon.

12. *Resolved*, That, so much of the governor's message, as relates to slaves escaping from their lawful owners, into this state, be refered to a select committee, with leave to report thereon.

13. *Resolved*, That, that part of the governor's message, in regard to the militia law, be refered to a select committee.

On motion, the house concurred in said esolutions, and thereupon the speaker proceeded to appoint the following committees, to wit:

Messrs. Sullivan, Snowden, Hunt, Daniel, Ferguson and M'Clure, a committee on the first resolution on the governor's message.

Messrs. Daniel, Lynn, Campbell, Scott and Cotton, on the 2d resolution of the governor's message.

Messrs. Holman, Daniel, Beggs, Slaughter and Chambers, on the 4th resolution.

Messrs. Little, Ferguson, Beggs, Bryson and Cotton, a committee on the 5th resolution.

Messrs. Dunn, Zenor, Bryson, Hill and Conner, a committee on the 6th resolution.

Messrs. Hunt, Sullivan, Beggs, Stevens and Milroy, a committee on the 7th resolution.

Messrs. Boon, Chambers, Campbell, Daniel and M'Clure, a committee on the 8th resolution.

Messrs. Stevens, Graham, Littell, Chambers, Buntin and Sullivan, a committee on 9th resolution.

Messrs. Slaughter, Graham, Buntin, Daniel and Chambers, on the 10th resolution.

Messrs. Lynn, Littell, Campbell, Chambers and Hunt, on the 11th resolution.

Messrs. Milroy, Little, Holman, Snowden, Cotton and Daniel, on the 12th resolution.

Messrs. Milroy, Stevens, Buntin, Sullivan, Zenor and Conner, a committee on the 13th resolution.

A message from the senate, by Mr. Beggs,

Mr. Speaker, the senate have adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to act with a similar committee that have been appointed on the part of the house of representatives, for the purpose of drafting and reporting joint rules for the government of both houses of the general assembly; and on their part, have appointed Messrs. Depauw and Montgomery, that committee.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the report of the select committee to whom was referred the petition of John Eastborn and others, praying for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Clark and Harrison. Mr. Holman in the chair; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Holman, reported, that the committee of the whole, had, according to order, had the said report under consideration, and have made no amendments thereto, and to which they desire the concurrence of the house; and on the question, will the house concur in the report of the committee of the whole? it was decided in the affirmative;

and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Carr and Ferguson, the votes were as follows :

	Yeas,		Nays
Messrs.	Beggs,	Messrs.	Conner,
	Boon,		Dunn,
	Beggs,		Hunt,
	Buntin,		Little
	Carr,		Milroy,
	Campbell.		Scott,
	Chambers,		Snowden,
	Cotton,		Stevens and
	Daniel,		Sullivan—9.
	Ferguson,		
	Graham,		
	Hill,		
	Holman,		
	Littell,		
	Lynn,		
	M'Clure,		
	Slaughter,		
	Zenor and		
	Lane, (speaker)—19.		

Mr. Graham, introduced a joint resolution, for the relief of sheriffs ; which was read the first time, and on motion, the rules were dispensed with, and the same was read a second time, and on motion, committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

On motion, the house adjourned until three o'clock, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Cotton,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to take into consideration the expediency or inexpediency of giving compensation to grand jurors for their services in the circuit courts, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Conner, gave notice that he would on to morrow, bring in a bill, legalizing the proceedings of the county commissioners, and for other purposes.

Mr. Daniel, gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, bring in a bill concerning joint estates and obligations.

And then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

SATURDAY, Dec. 6th, 1817.

House met persuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hunt, from the committee, to whom was refered the petition of George White, on the subject of a Ferry, reported by bill ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next.

Mr. Daniel, pursuant to notice, introduced a bill, on the subject of joint estates and obligations ; which was read the first time, and, on motion, ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Mr. Daniel gave notice, that he should on Monday next, bring in a bill, for the relief of insolvent debtors.

Mr. Sullivan, from the joint committee, appointed to take into consideration a revision of the statute laws, made the following report :

Mr. Speaker, your committee, appointed on that part of the governors message, relative to the revision of the statutes of the state, to act with a similar committee on the part of the senate, to take into consideration, the expedency and manner of revising the laws of the state ; beg leave to report, that they have had the subject under consideration, and are of the opinion, a speedy revision is rendered absolutely necessary, owing to the statute laws of the state having become so obscure, from the multiplied amendatory and supplimental acts ; they therefore would recommend a joint committee of revision, to consist of three on the part of the Senate, and five on the part of the House of Representatives be appointed, with authority to appoint or select three or more clerks, to be imployed in revising such laws, as the committee may think proper, or such laws as may be, by order of either house, refered to the committee of revision ;—and that, so soon and so fast as, any revision is completed, that it be introduced in either house the joint committee may agree upon, in the form of a bill. Your committee would further recommend that when the joint committee are appointed, and that committee of revision has appointed or selected clerks to assist in the revision, that they report the same to their houses.

The bill, on the subject of changing the *venue*, was taken up and read a second time, and, on motion, committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Tuesday next.

The bill supplementary to the act, entitled "an act organizing circuit courts," was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Monday next.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the joint resolution for the relief of sheriffs and auditors, Mr. Carr in the chair; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Carr reported, that the committee of the whole, had, according to order, had the said resolution under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,

Ordered, That the committee of the whole, be discharged from any further consideration of the said resolution.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,

Ordered, That said resolution be refered to a select committee, with leave to report by bill or otherwise: and thereupon Messrs. Graham, Ferguson, Holman, Cotton and M'Clure, were appointed that committee.

Mr. Beggs moved that the house come to the following resolution:

Resolved, That the house proceed by ballot, on Monday next, at eleven o'clock A. M. to elect a chaplin for the present general assembly; and on the question, will the house adopt said resolution? It was decided in the negative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Boon and Sullivan, the votes were as follows:

	Ayes.		Nays.	
Messrs.	Beggs,	Messrs.	Boon,	Hunt,
	Bryson,		Carr,	Holman,
	Buntin,		Campbell,	Littell,
	M'Clure,		Chambers,	Little,
	Stevens,		Cotton,	Lynn,
	Sullivan,		Conner,	Milroy,
	and		Dunn,	Scott,
	Lane, (speaker.)—7.		Daniel,	Snowden,
			Ferguson,	Slaughter,
			Graham,	and
			Hill,	Zenor—21.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris:

Mr. Speaker—The senate have concurred in the report

of the joint committee, appointed to take into consideration the propriety of revising the laws of this state.

On motion of Mr. Stevens,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to organize the associate judges of the different counties, in this state, into a regular court, called a county court, and for other purposes, with leave to report by bill or otherwise: and thereupon Messrs. Stevens, Buntin, Campbell, Bryson and Scott, were appointed that committee.

Mr. Milroy presented the petition of David Cummings and others, praying for a new county to be formed out of the counties of Orange and Jackson; which was read, and refered to the committee to whom was refered the petition of William F. Thompson and others.

Mr. Sullivan moved, that the house concur in the report of the joint committee, on the subject of the revision of the laws; and on the question, will the house concur in said report? It was decided in the negative, and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Boon and Sullivan, the votes were as follows:

	AYES.		NAYS.
Messrs.	Bryson,	Messrs.	Beggs,
	Conner,		Buntin,
	Graham,		Boon,
	Hill,		Campbell,
	Holman,		Chambers,
			Carr,
	Hunt,		Cotton,
	M'Clure,		Dunn,
	Scott,		Daniel,
	Snowden,		Ferguson,
	Sullivan,		Littell,
	Zenor,		Little,
	and		Lynn,
	Lane, (speaker.)—12.		Milroy,
			Stevens and
			Slaughter—16.

A message from the senate by Mr. Paul.

Mr. Speaker---The senate have appointed Messrs. Paul, Polke and Ferris, a committe on their part, to act jointly with the committee that may be appointed on the part of the house of representatives, on the subject of the revision of the laws of this state.

On motion of Mr. Stevens,

Ordered, That a committee be appointed to take into consideration, all the statutes now in force in this state,

relative to the duty of administrators, executors, wills and the disposition of minors & deceadents estates, both testate and intestate ; with leave to report by bill, reducing all the aforesaid statutes, and parts of statutes, on the aforesaid subject. in o one bill, with snch amendments as they may deem necessary.

On motion of Mr. Milroy,

Ordered, That the bill to organize and regulate the militia, the consideration of which was postponed at the last session of the general assembly, be refered to the committee to whom was refered that part of the governor's message, which relates to the militia.

Mr. Ferguson asked, and obtained leave of absence, until Tuesday next.

And the house adjourned until Monday morning 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, December 8.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Boon, from the committee to whom was refered, that part of the governor's message and the accompanying documents, relative to the obstructions in the Ohio river, reported by resolution, which was read, and on motion, committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Wednesday the 29th inst.

Mr. Sullivan presented the memorial of the county commissioners of Knox county, praying an act to be passed, legalizing the proceedings of county commissioners in certain cases ; which was read and refered to a select committee, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Sullivan laid before the house, the petition of Pier Andrin and others, praying an act, amendatory to the act, "incorporating the common field below Vincennes ;" which was read, & on motion, refered to a select committee with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Little,

Resolved, That the committee, to whom was refered that part of the governor's message, relative to the duties and jurisdiction of justices of the peace, in criminal cases, be instructed to take into consideration the expediency of revising and reducing into one, the several acts respecting the duties and jurisdiction of justices of the peace.

Mr. Snowden from the committee to whom was refered the petition of sundry inhabitants of Franklin and Wayne counties, praying for a new county to be formed from the north end of Franklin and south end of Wayne counties, reported that they deem the petition unreasonable, and ought not to be granted; which report was refered to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Thursday next.

Mr. Daniel, ageeable to notice, introduced a bill for the relief of insolvent debtors, which was read the first time, and on motion, committed to a select committee, with leave to report thereon: and thereupon Messrs. Ferguson, Bryson, Beggs, Zenor and Boon were appointed that committee.

On motion of Mr. Carr,

Ordered, That this house re-consider the vote taken on Saturday last, on the report of the joint committee, on the subject of the revision of the statute laws of the state.

Whereupon Mr. Graham moved that the house concur in said report; and on the question, will the house concur in the same? it was decided in the affirmative, and the yeas and nays being demanded by two members, the votes were as follows:

Ayes.	Nays.
Messrs. Bryson,	Messrs. Beggs,
Carr,	Boon,
Chambers,	Buntin,
Conner,	Campbell,
Dunn,	Cotton,
Graham,	Daniel,
Hill,	Little
Holman,	Littell,
Hunt,	Lynn,
M'Clure,	Milroy,
Scott,	Stevens and
Snowden,	Slaughter, 13
Zenor and	
Lane, (speaker) 15.	

Whereupon the speaker appointed Messrs. Sullivan, Stevens, Ferguson, Daniel, and Hunt, the committee of revision, on the part of the house of representatives,

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the house of representatives by Mr. Ferris,

INDIANA STATE LIBRARY

Mr. Speaker, the senate have passed a joint resolution, on the subject of the proposed amendments to the constitution of the United States, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

On motion, the said resolution was taken up and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Speaker laid before the house the following communication from William H. Lilley, auditor of public accounts, which was read and is as follows :

December, 8. 1817.

The Speaker of the house of representatives,

SIR—Herewith I have the honor to lay before the house of representatives, my annual report, commencing the 16th day of November, 1816, and ending the 29th day of November last, inclusive.

With great respect,
your obedient humble servant,
WILLIAM H. LILLY,
Auditor of Public Accounts.

Whereupon, the report alluded to in the above communication, was read, and is as follows :

The Auditor of the Treasury, in obedience to an act of the General Assembly, „. entitled an act concerning the Auditor of public accounts and the Treasurer of State approved 11th December 1816" submits the following report, viz.

That from the 16th of November 1816, to the 29th day of November, 1817, inclusive there has been recieved on loan, - -		$ 20,000 00
From sundry sheriffs within the dates aforesaid, -		4,251 09 1-4
making a sum total,		24,351 09 14
Within the periods above mentioned, there has been audited in liquidation of the expenses of the late convention,	3076 21	
In liquidation of the debts of		

...e late territory,	5,321 63 1-4	
In liquidation of the accounts of the general assembly for their services at their last session,	7,325 12	
In liquidation of the accounts of the executive officers,	2,200 00	
In liquidation of the accounts of the officers of the judiciary,	2,275 00	
In liquidation of the contingent expenses,	222 37	
making a sum total of		$ 20,430 33 1-4
Leaving in the hands of the treasurer on the 29th of November last, provided the warrants audited as aforesaid have been paid at the treasury,		9,820 76
Since the 29th day of November last, it is estimated that the receipts into the treasury for the years 1814, 1815 and 1816, amount to	$ 905 04 1-4	
And for the year 1817,	3,078 33 1-4	
making a sum total of		$7,804 13 12
Amount due and unpaid by sundry sheriffs exclusive of their commission for the year 1817, & exclusive of sundry balances due by the sheriffs under the late territorial government,	$6,578 29	
...n from the counties of Clark, Gibson, Washington and Switzerland, no duplicates have been received for the present year, no estimate can therefore be made of revenue that may be derived from thence.		
On the bond executed by several citizens of Harrison county, for one thousand dollars, suit has been instituted, which when recovered will and	$ 1,000 00	

There are however, demands which will shortly accrue in favor of the officers of the Judiciary estimated at 1,500 00

And to meet the interest arising on loans, 1,200 00

Exclusive of such monies as may be required to liquidate the remaining outstanding debts under the head of Territorial warrants. All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. H. LILLY.
Auditor of Public Accounts.

On motion of Mr. Bryson,

Ordered, That the said communication and report be refered to the committee of ways and means.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan,

Ordered, That a committee be appointed, to bring in a bill, requiring the secretary of state, to procure from the land offices at Vincennes, Jeffersonville and Cincinnati, a list of Lands subject to taxation within this state ; and thereupon Messrs. Sullivan, Stevens, Boon, Cotton and Scott, were appointed that committee.

The Speaker laid before the house the following communication from Daniel C. Lane treasuer of state ; which was read and is as follows :

The Speaker of the house Representatives,

SIR—Herewith I have the honor to lay before the House of Representatives, my annual report, commencing the 16th day of November, 1816, and ending the 29th day of November, 1817, inclusive.

With great respect,
your humble servant,

DANIEL C. LANE,
Treasurer of State.

Whereupon the said report was read and is as follows :

The Treasurer in obedience to an act of the General Assembly "entitled an act concerning the Auditor of Public accounts and the Treasurer of State, approved the 11th of December 1816," submits the following report :

That from the 16th of November 1816, to

the 29th of November 1817 inclusive, there has been received on loan,		20,00, 00
From sundry sheriffs within the dates aforesaid,		4,251 09 1-4
making a sum total of		24,251 09 1-4
Within the periods above mentioned there has been paid at the Treasury in discharge of the late Territorial debt,	$ 3,331 63 1-4	
In payment of the officers of the Executive department,	2,090 00	
In defraying the contingent expenses of the government,	222 37	
In defraying the expenses of the late convention of the Indiana territory,	3,076 21	
In the payment of the officers of the Judiciary department,	2,100 00	
In payment of the members of the General Assembly, for their services during their late session, and defraying incidental expenses attendant thereon,	7,825 12	
		20,655 33 1-4
Leaving in the treasury on the 29th November 1817, a balance of		4,820 79
Since which period to the 8th of December 1817, there has been paid at the treasury the sum of		550 00
Leaving a balance on the 8th day of December 1817, in the treasury of,		3,270 76
Since the 29th of November 1817, as aforesaid, there has been paid into the treasury by sundry sheriffs for the years 1814, 1815, 1816 and 1817,		3,983 37
Leaving in the hands of the treasurer on the 8th of December 1817, the total sum of		$ 7,254 13 1-2

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL C. LANE,
Treasurer of State.

On motion, ordered that the said report be refered to the committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Milroy,

Ordered, that the clerks of this house be directed to furnish the committee of revision, with a list of the subjects, which has been refered to select committees, in this house; together with the names of the chairman, on all subjects of a general nature.

On motion the house adjourned until 3 o'clock P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment,

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee appointed to bring in a bill, requiring the secretary of state to procure a list of lands, subject to taxation in this state, reported a bill for that purpose; which was read and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The bill concerning joint estates and obligations, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Friday next.

Mr Sullivan, from the joint committee of revision, reported that said committee of revision had selected General W. Johnson, David Raymond, Hezekiah B. Hull, Ebenezer M'Donald and James Rariton, as clerks to assist said committee in revising the laws of the state.

On motion, the house concurred in said report.

Mr. Chambers, presented the petition of John Gray, and others, praying for a new county to be formed out of the counties of Orange and Davies; which was read and refered to the committee to whom was refered the petition of W. F. Thompson, and others.

The speaker laid before the house a communication from the grand jury of Orange county, on the subject of spirituous liquors; which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

And then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

TUESDAY, Dec. 9.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Stevens, agreeably to notice, introduced a bill, providing for the election of certain township officers; which was read and ordered to be read a second time on Saturday next.

On motion, ordered that forty copies of the said bill be printed immediately.

Mr. Milroy, from the committee to whom was refered the petition of Wm. F. Thompson, and others, praying for a new county to be formed out of the counties of Orange and Jackson, reported by bill; which was read, and

ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill altering the mode of changing the *venue*, Mr. Milroy in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Milroy reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the same under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerks table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

On motion of Mr. Stevens,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed for a third reading on to-morrow.

The bill, requiring the secretary of state to procure a list of lands subject to taxation, in this state, from the registers of the land offices at Vincennes, Jeffersonville and Cincinnati, was taken up and read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on to-morrow.

The engrossed joint resolution from the senate, on the subject of the proposed amendment to the constitution of the United States, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to the committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Boon,

Ordered, That the committee of ways and means be instructed to contract for, and furnish the house with a sufficient number of ink-stands, immediately.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan,

Ordered, That the clerk of this house furnish the public printer, every Monday morning, with a copy of the last weeks journal but one, the same having been examined by the clerk and speaker.

The following communication was received from his Excellency the Governor; which was read, and is as follows:

The Speaker of the House of Representative,—Sir, herewith I transmit a copy of the journal of the Senate of the United States, for the year 1816, forwarded for the use of the house of representatives.

Respectfully yours, &c.

JONATHAN JENNINGS.

Mr. Sullivan, having obtained leave, introduced a joint resolution, on the subject of printing of the journals of both Houses of the present General Assembly; which was read and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

And the House adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 10.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Boon gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill, making a special appropriation for wolf scalps.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee on the subject of public roads and highways, reported a bill; which was read the first time, and on motion, ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next; and that forty copies of said bill be printed immediately for the members of this House.

Mr. Graham, from the committee, to whom was refered the resolution for the relief of sheriffs, reported a bill; which was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to morrow.

Mr. Daniel presented the petition of Thomas Case and Jacob Harbison, and others, praying for the formation of a new county, out of the county of Pike; which was read and committed to a select committee. with leave to report by bill or otherwise; and thereupon Messrs. Daniel, M'Clure, Buntin, Campbell, Chambers, Lynn and Holman were appointed that committee.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Ferris:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate have passed a bill, entitled an "act to provide for carrying the laws into effect in new counties," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee of Elections, made the following report:

Mr. Sperker—Your committee, to whom was refered the certificates of the members elect of this House for examination, beg leave to report, that they have performed that duty, & that from the county of Wayne, Joseph Holman, Robert Hill and John Scott; from the county of Franklin, Stephen C. Stevens, John Bryson and James Snowden; from the county of Dearborn, Amos Lane;

from the county of Switzerland, Ralph Cotton; from the county of Jefferson, Williamson Dunn & Nathaniel Hunt; from the county of Clark, Benjamin Ferguson, Thomas Carr and Charles Beggs; from the county of Washington Samuel Milroy & Alexander Little; from the county of Jackson, William Graham; from the county of Orange, Samuel Chambers; from the county of Harrison, Jacob Zenor, James B. Slaughter and William D. Littell; from the county of Knox, George R. C. Sullivan, Robert Buntin and John M'Clure; from the county of Gibson, Richard Daniel and James Campbell; from the county of Warrick, Ratcliff Boon; from the county of Posey, Dann Lynn; from the county of Perry, Samuel Conner; are each duly elected, and entitled to their seats in this House. On motion, the House concurred in said report.

The bill from the Senate, providing for carrying the laws into effect in new counties, was taken up and read the first time, and on motion, the rules of the House were dispensed with, and the same was read a second time, and committed to a committee of the whole House, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Beggs gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill respecting the emigration of free negroes and mulatoes, and for other purposes.

The bill for the formation of a new county, out of the county of Orange, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the joint resolution from the Senate, on the subject of the proposed amendments to the constitution of the United States, Mr. Graham in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Graham reported that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said resolution under consideration, and had made an amendment to the same, to which amendment they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendment he handed in at the clerks table, with the said resolution, where it was again read; and which was made by striking out the word "directed," in the third line of the second section, and inserting in lieu thereof, the word "requested." On motion, the house concurred in said amendment.

On motion, ordered that the said resolution be read a third time to-morrow.

And the house adjourned until 3 o'clock P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the Governor, by R. A. New, secretary of state, who presented the following communication, which was read, and is as follows :

The Speaker of the House of Representatives,

Sir—Herewith I transmit for the information of the House of Representatives, a copy of a letter addressed to me from Governor Slaughter of Kentucky, on the subject of slaves escaping into this state, and my reply thereto.

With great respect, yours &c.

JONATHAN JENNINGS.

On motion,

Ordered, That the said communication, together with the accompanying documents be refered to a select committee, on the part of the Governor's message relative to slaves escaping from their owners into this state.

On motion,

Ordered, That the committee of the whole be discharged from a further consideration of the bill, supplementary to the act, entitled 'an act organizing circuit courts, and for other purposes."

On motion,

Ordered, That the said bill be refered to the committee on the revision of the statute laws of this state.

The bill directing the mode of changing the *venue*, was taken up and read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That it be entitled an act, directing the mode of changing the *venue*.

Ordered, That the Senate be informed thereof.

The bill requiring the secretary of state to procure a list of lands subject to taxation in this state, from the registers of the land offices at Vincennes, Jeffersonville and Cincinnati, was taken up and read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That it be entitled "an act to authorize the secretary of state to procure a list of lands subject to taxation in this state, from the registers of the land offices at Vincennes, Jeffersonville and Cincinnati."

Ordered, That the Senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Cotton,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill to alter and amend the act, entitled "an act to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties, by their agents, to lease section sixteen;" and thereupon Messrs. Cotton, Carr, Dunn, Bryson, Snowden and Holman were appointed that committee.

Mr. Slaughter, from the committee on that part of the governor's message, relative to the commencement of a State Library, reported that the said committee had, had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it be postponed for the present; in which report the house concurred.

Mr. Milroy presented the petition of John Guthery and others, praying to be stricken off from the county of Jackson and attached to the new county, to be formed out of the counties of Jackson and Orange; which was read, and refered to the committee of the whole on the bill for the formation of said new county.

On motion of Mr. Milroy,

Resolved, That the clerks of this house, be directed to furnish the public printer with the copies of the journals, examined and corrected by the clerk and speaker, for publication, in such manner and at such times as will enable said printer to print the journals as the business of the General Assembly progresses; and that the printer be requested to print five hundred copies of the journal, out of which each member shall be furnished with two copies in sheets as printed, the balance to be retained by the printer, to be disposed of as may hereafter be directed.

And the house adjoured until to-morrow 9 o'clock A. M.

THURSDAY, Dec. 11.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Graham moved, that the letter refered to in the governor's communication of yesterday, and his Excellency's answer thereto, on the subject of slaves escaping into this state, be spread upon the journals of this house, and on that question, it was decided in the affirmative. And the

yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Sullivan and Stevens, the votes were as follows:

	AYES.		NAYS.
Messrs.	Boon.	Messrs.	Beggs,
	Bryson,		Chambers,
	Buntin,		Ferguson,
	Carr,		Hunt,
	Campbell,		Littell,
	Cotton,		and
	Conner,		Milroy.—6.
	Dunn,		
	Daniel,		
	Graham,		
	Hill,		
	Holman,		
	Little,		
	Lynn,		
	M'Clure,		
	Scott,		
	Snowden,		
	Stevens,		
	Slaughter,		
	Sullivan,		
	Zenor and		
	Lane, (speaker.)—22.		

Mr. Boon, agreeable to notice and leave given, introduced a bill, making a special appropriation for wolf scalps; which was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee appointed to bring in a bill to organize the associate judges as a court, to be stiled a county court, reported a bill for that purpose; which was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Daniel, from the committee, to whom was refered the petition of sundry inhabitants of Pike county, praying for the formation of a new county out of said county, reported a bill; which was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee to whom was refered the bill for the relief of insolvent debtors, reported by bill; which was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Beggs, agreeably to notice, and leave given, introduced a bill regulating the migration of free Negroes, & Mulattoes into this state, which was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The bill, for the relief of sheriffs, was taken up, and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Tuesday next.

The bill for the relief of George White, on the subject of a Ferry a cross the river Ohio, at Jeffersonville; was taken up and read a second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

The house, according to order, *Resolved* itself into a committee of the whole, on the report of the select committee, to whom was refered the petition of Sundry inhabitants of Franklin and Wayne counties, praying for the formation of a new county, out of the south end of Wayne county, and north end of Franklin county: Mr Boon in the chair, and after some time spent therein, mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Boon, reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said report under consideration, and had agreed to the same without amendment, and to which they desire the concurrence of the house.

On motion the house concurred in said report.

A message from the senate, by Mr. Paul:

Mr. Speaker--The senate have passed a bill, intitled an act, respecting non-resident attornies and counsellors at law; to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The house, according to order, *Resolved*, itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill from the senate, intitled an act, providing for carrying the laws into effect, in new counties: Mr. Ferguson in the chair; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Ferguson reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again.

Whereupon, on motion, leave was given, the committee of the whole to sit again on said bill.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan, Messrs. Dunn, Carr, and

Boon, were added to the committee. on that part of the governor's message which relates to the militia.

And then the house adjourned until three o'clock this afternoon.

On motion, the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill for the formation of a new county, out of the county of Orange, Mr. Holman in the chair; and after some time spent therein, Mr. speaker resumed the chair; and Mr. Holman reported that, the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same; to which amendments they disire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table together with the bill where they were again read. The first amendment to said bill was made in committee of the whole by striking out the first of section of said bill, these words "the township line deviding" & inserting in lieu thereof, these words "*To the Driftwood-Fork of White river, thence runing up said river to a point, where the line deviding fractions 22 and 23 in range 2 east in town 4, northcrosses said river, thence north with said line, to the line deviding townships six and seven.*

And on the question, will the house concur in said amendment? it was carried in the affirmative, and the yeas and nays being demanded, by two members, the votes were as follows.

YEAS,	NAYS
Messrs. Carr,	Messrs. Beggs,
Campbell,	Boon,
Chambers,	Bryson,
Cotton,	Buntin,
Conner,	Dunn,
Hunt,	Daniel,
Little	Ferguson,
Littell	Graham,
Milroy,	Hill,
Snowden,	Holman,
Stevens	M'Clure;
Sullivan,	Scott and
Zenor, and	Slaughter—13
Lane (Speaker)—14.	

The other amendments made to said bill in committee of the whole, were made by striking out the word "*Hen-*

Bricks, throughout the bill, and inserting in lieu thereof, the word "*Laurence*.

On motion,

The house concurred in said amendment:

On motion,

Ordered that the said bill, be ingrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

The engrossed joint resolution, from the senate, on the proposed amendments to the constitution of the United States, was taken up, and read the third time, when Mr. Sullivan, moved that the house come to the following resolution:

Resolved, that, the further consideration of the communications from the governor's of Kentucky, N. Jersey, and Connecticut, with the resolution from the senate, upon that subject, be postponed until the first day of next session, and that the communications received from the governors above named, with the resolution from the senate, be published in the Indiana Gazette, for three weeks, with a request to all the editors in the state, to insert the same. And on the question, will the house adopt said resolution, it was decided in the negative.

The joint resolution from the senate, was then put upon its passage, and carried in the affirmative:

Ordered, that the senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Boon, presented the petition of Moses Wood, and others, praying for the formation of a new county, out of the counties of Posey, Warrick and Gibson; as also a remonstrance against said petition which were severally read and committed to a select committee of Messrs. Boon, Lynn, Campbell, Conner and Carr, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Ferguson gave notice that, he would, on to-morrow, move, for leave to bring in a bill, regulating the establishment of Ferries; as also a bill, authorising the state treasurar to receive certain money from the secretary of the treasury of the United States.

Mr. Slaughter introduced a joint resolution, on the subject of the medical society; which was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

And the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

FRIDAY, December 12.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Daniel gave notice that he would, on tomorrow, move for leave to bring in a bill, providing for a prosecuting attorney in the several counties in this state.

The bill from the senate, entitled "an Act concerning non resident attornies and counsellors at law," was taken up and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Ferguson, agreeable to notice and leave given, introduced a bill regulating ferries; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee of revision, reported the following bills:—A bill providing for surveyors; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.—Also, a bill against forcible entry and detainer; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday next.—Also, a bill concerning clerks; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.—Also, a bill regulating proceedings on indictments; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow. And also, a bill establishing a county treasury; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington,

Mr. President—The senate have concurred in the amendments made by the house of representatives, to the joint resolution, on the subject of the proposed amendments to the constitution of the United States.

The bill making a special appropriation for wolf scalps, was taken up and read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

The joint resolution respecting the medical society, was taken up and read the second time, and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill for the formation of a new county out of the county of Pike, was taken up and read a second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house on Monday next.

The bill organizing the associate judges as a court, to be styled a county court, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole

house, and made the order of the day for Thursday next.

The bill regulating the emmigration of negroes and mulatoes into this state, was taken up and read the second time, when Mr. Hunt moved, that a further consideration of said bill, be indefinitely postponed, and on the question of postponment? It was decided in the negative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Hunt and Dunn, the votes were as follows:

AYES,	NAYS,	
Messrs. Carr,	Messrs. Beggs,	Littell,
Chambers	Boon,	Lynn,
Cotton,	Bryson,	M'Clure,
Dunn,	Buntin,	Milroy,
Hill,	Campbell,	Snowden,
Holman,	Conner,	Slaughter,
Hunt,	Daniel,	Sullivan,
Scott,	Ferguson,	Zenor,
and	Graham,	and
Stevens.	Little,	Lane, (speaker.)

On motion of Mr. Graham,

Ordered, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Monday next.

The bill for the relief of insolvent debtors, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Thursday next.

The engrossed bill for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Orange and Jackson, was taken up and read the third time, and on motion, a further consideration of the same, is postponed until Tuesday next.

Mr. Chambers asked, and obtained leave of absence until Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill for the benefit of occupying claimants to lands, and thereupon Messrs. Ferguson, Carr, Buntin, M'Clure and Beggs were appointed that committee.

And then the house adjourned until 2 o'clock P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill concerning joint estates and obligations, was taken up, and the consideration thereof postponed until Tuesday next.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill for the relief of George White, on the subject of a ferry across the Ohio river at Jeffersonville, Mr. Little in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Little reported, that the committee of the whole, according to order, had, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, together with the bill, when they were again read; and on motion, the house concurred in the same.

On motion.

Ordered That said bill be engrossed, and read a third on Saturday week next.

Mr. Sullivan presented the petition of Charles Smith and others, of the steam mill company, near Vincennes, praying an act to authorise the executors of John Johnston decd. to sell an convey the interest of the minor heirs of said deceadent, in certain real property belonging to said steam mill company, which was read, and committed to a select committee of Messrs. Sullivan, Buntin, Daniel, Carr & M'Clure, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

And the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

SATURDAY, Dec. 13.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cotton, from the committee appointed to take into consideration the expediency of giving a compensation to grand jurors for their services in the circuit courts, reported a bill for that purpose; which was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on monday next.

Mr. Lynn presented the petition of Thomas E. Castleberry, as also, the petition of sundry inhabitants of Posey county, praying an act to authorise a new election in said county, for clerk and recorder in said county, which was read, and committed to a select committee of Messrs. Lynn, Boon, Conner, Daniel and Campbell, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee appointed to bring in a bill for the benefit of occupying claimants to land, re-

ported a bill on that subject; which was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Friday next.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee of revision, reported a bill on the subject of trespassing animals; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.—Also, a bill concerning enclosures; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

On motion of Mr Ferguson,

Ordered, That the committee of the whole, be discharged from a further consideration of the petition of Alexander Buckner, and that said petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

The bill providing for surveyors, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house on Tuesday next.

The bill concerning clerks was taken up and read the second time, and on motion committed to a select committee of Messrs. Sullivan, Milroy and Ferguson with leave to report thereon.

The bill concerning non-resident attornies and counsellors at law was taken up and read the second time, and ordered to be read a third time on Monday next.

The bill regulating proceedings on indictments was taken up and read the second time and committed to the select committee to whom was refered that part of the governor's message which relates to the penal code.

The engrossed bill making a specific appropriation for wolf scalps was taken up and read the third time when Mr. Sullivan, moved to amend said bill by adding the following section thereto.

Sec. 3 Be it further enacted that the act entitled an act to amend an act entitled "an act to encourage the killing of wolves, and all acts and parts of acts allowing any fee or reward for the killing of wolves, be, and the same are hereby repealed, from and after the first day of June, A. D. 1818.

And on the question shall the said bill be so amended it was carried in the affirmative.

And the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs.

Graham and Milroy, the votes were as follows :

	Ayes.	Nayes.
Messrs.	Baggs,	Bryson,
	Boon,	Cotton,
	Buntin,	Graham,
	Carr,	Hill,
	Campbell,	Little,
	Dunn,	Littell,
	Daniel,	M'Clure,
	Ferguson,	Milroy,
	Holman,	Scott,
	Snowden,	&
	Stevens,	Lane, (Speaker) 11.
	Slaughter,	
	Sullivan and	
	Zenor 14	

The amendment was then read the second and third time, and the bill was then put upon its passage, and on the question shall the bill pass as amended, it was carried in the affirmative ; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Milroy and Graham, the votes were as follows :

	Ayes.	Nayes.
Messrs.	Baggs,	Messrs. Bryson,
	Boon,	Cotton,
	Buntin,	Graham,
	Carr,	Hill,
	Campbell,	Hunt,
	Conner,	Little,
	Dunn,	Littell,
	Daniel,	M'Clure,
	Ferguson,	Milroy,
	Holman,	Scott and
	Lynn,	Lane, (Speaker) 11.
	Snowden,	
	Stevens,	
	Slaughter,	
	Sullivan and	
	Zenor, 16	

Ordered, That the said bill be entitled an act making a specific appropriation for wolf scalps, and for other purposes

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The bill providing for the election of certain township officers, was taken up and read the second time, and on motion, a further consideration of said bill was indefinitely postponed.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill for the relief of sheriffs, and for other purpo-

ses, Mr. Daniel in the chair; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Daniel reported that the committee of the whole had according to order, had the said bill under consideration and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house, which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house: ordered that said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Monday next.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill entitled an act relative to applications for new counties hereafter to be laid off and for other purposes; and then the house adjourned until Monday morning, ten o'clock.

MONDAY, December 15.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee on the subject of last wills and testaments, and deceadents estates, reported a bill on that subject; which was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on to-morrow.

Mr Sullivan, from the committee, to whom was referred the petition of Charles Smith and others of the Vincennes steam mill company, reported a bill, authorising the executors of John Johnston decd. to sell and convey the interest of the minor heirs of said deceadent in certain real property, belonging to the said steam mill company; which bill was read, and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

A message from the senate by Mr. Paul,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill, entitled "an act organizing the county of Ripley," to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

Mr. Sullivan presented the petition of Benjamin Duty, praying an act to divorce him from his wife Polly Duty; which was read, and refered to a select committee of Messrs. Sullivan, Ferguson, O'Clare, Buntin and Campbell, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill, entitled "an act authorising the granting of writs of *ne exeat*, and regulating the proceedings thereon, to which they desire

the concurrence of this house.

The bill from the senate, entitled "an act relative to applications for new counties hereafter to be laid off," was taken up and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to morrow.

The bill from the senate, entitled "an act to organize the county of Ripley," was taken up and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The bill from the senate, entitled "an act authorising the granting of writs of *ne exeat*, and regulating the proceedings thereon," was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Mr. Sullivan gave notice, that he would, on Friday next, move for leave to bring in a bill, authorising the circuit court, or any judge thereof in vacation, to allow and order writs of certiorari, in certain cases, to issue from the clerks office, directed to any justice of the peace or magistrate.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee of revision, reported a bill authorising and regulating arbitrations; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time to morrow.—Also, a bill concerning proceedings in ejectments and tenants at will holding over; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Mr. Milroy, from the committee to whom was refered the following communication from the Governor of Kentucky, to the Governor of this state, on the subject of slaves escaping into this state, and his Excellency's answer thereto; which communication and answer are as follows:

FRANKFORT, *September* 14. 1817.

SIR—Persuant to a resolution of the Ligislature of the commonwealth of Kentucky, passed at their last session, I have to assure your Excellency of the amicable disposition of the citizens of Kentucky towards the citizens of the state of Indiana; and that it is the wish, not less than the interest of our citizens, that harmony and the most friendly relations should prevail between the said states, and the citizens thereof. That they respectively enjoy the blessings of a government based on the great and essential principles of liberty, and compose a part of the federal union, are considerations alone sufficient to induce them to

preserve with the utmost vigilance, the amity now existing between this state and that over which you have the honor to preside—but when we reflect that Indiana and Kentucky belong to the same section of the country, having a common highway to the ocean; and that from their relative situation, their citizens must from necessity mingle in social intercourse and commercial pursuits, strong and additional motives are perceived to cultivate and maintain the most amicable relations. Influenced by feelings and considerations of this nature, and a due regard to the rights of our citizens, the legislature of Kentucky have requested me to address your Excellency concerning the difficulty said to be experienced by our citizens in reclaiming their slaves, who escape into your state. Whether it is owing to a defect in your laws, or the want of promptitude and energy in those who administer them, or the prejudice of your citizens against slavery, or to all those causes, I have not learnt. But our citizens complain of serious obstructions to the recovery of their property. You must be sensible sir, that occurrences of this sort cannot fail to produce discontent here; and a spirit of animosity towards the people of your state; which it is equally the interest and duty of all to avoid. I regret that I am not furnished with the particular facts which have occasioned this interference of our legislature: but it was certainly due to the complaints of our citizens to open a correspondence with you on the subject, in order to remove as far as practicable the obstacles, real or supposed, produced by your citizens. I flatter myself that the causes of those complaints are very limited, and relying with confidence that the amicable disposition of the people of this state towards the people of Indiana is felt, and will be met by a correspondent spirit on their part, I request you to call the attention of your legislature to this interesting subject: and to recommend the adoption of such municipal regulations as may be best calculated to do justice to all concerned; and to promote harmony and amity between our respective states.

I have the honor to be,
With high respect and consideration,
Your obedient humble servant,
GABRIEL SLAUGHTER.

To His Excellency JONATHAN JENNINGS,
Governor of the State of Indiana.

CHARLESTOWN, *November* 20. 1817.

SIR—Your letter of the 4th of September last, addressed to me in pursuance of a resolution of the commonwealth of Kentucky has been received; in which an assurance is given of the amicable disposition her patriotic citizens entertain towards the citizens of the infant state of Indiana. Permit me to assure your Excellency, that a corresdonding disposition is cultivated on the part of the latter; and that they highly appreciate the mutual advantages to be derived from the most friendly relations between the said states, and the citizens thereof.

With regard to the subject matter of your letter, "the difficulty said to be experienced by your citizens in reclaiming their slaves who escape into this state," allow me to state in relation to my views on this subject, that I have been, and still am desirous that every municipal regulation, not inconsistent with the constitution of the United States or of this state, may be adopted by the legislative authority of the latter, calculated to secure to the citizens of every state or territory of the Union, the means of reclaiming any slave escaping into this state, that may rightfully belong to them or either of them, with as little delay as the operation of the law will admit. With this object in view, I presented the subject for the consideration of the legislature of this state at their last session, and their deliberations on this subject, resulted in a statute, to which I beg leave to refer you in the pamphlet herewith transmitted, page 151.

What further legislative provision on this subject may be adopted on the part of the legislative authority of this state, is not for me to predict, though I feel a confidence that some further attempts will be made to restrain slaves from seeking within our state an asylum from their lawful owners.

I am yet ignorant of any attempt to obstruct the operation of the laws, when called into action for the purpose of aiding the claimant of any slave or slaves who may have escaped into this state; and with you I regret that you have not been furnished with the particular facts which have occasioned this interference of your legislature, although pleased that a correspondence on this subject has been commenced. If such an evil exists as is said to be experienced from a defect in our laws, it is believed a

remedy will be provided in the resources of further experiment.

As members of the general government, the states of Kentucky and Indiana, will, it is hoped, act with mutual forbearance and good faith, avoiding thereby any unnatural jealousies between them as states, or their citizens.

Accept assurances of the high
respect with which I am, sir,
yours very obediently,
JONATHAN JENNINGS.

His Excellency GABRIEL SLAUGTER,
Governor of Kentucky.

Made the following report:

Mr. Speaker—Your committee, to whom was refered a letter from his Excellency the Governor of Kentucky, to the Governor of this state, founded on a resolution of the legislature of that state; together with the answer of the Governor of Indiana, on the subject of run-a-way slaves, beg leave to report—That, they have had the same under consideration, and would remark, that they highly appreciate the general friendly and amicable disposition of the state of Kentucky, towards that of Indiana, manifested in his Excellency's communication; and cordially wish to persue and maintain the most friendly relations between the states; but, at the same time we would observe, that, in the opinion of your committee, a part of the communication alluded to, does not breathe that spirit of amity and good will, so strongly recommended by his Excellency the Governor of Kentucky.

On the subject of the difficulties, said to be experienced by the citizens of Kentucky in regaining their fugitive slaves, your committee are of opinion, that the feelings of his Excellency, as well as of the legislature of Kentucky, have been governed, in a great degree, by the improper representations of individuals who have been disappointed in their attempts to carry away those, whom they claimed as slaves, from this stste, without complying with the preliminary steps required by law; together with the groundless assertions of unprincipled individuals, who have attempted, in many instances, to seizé and carry away people of color, as slaves, who were free, and as much entitled to the protection of the laws, as any citizen of Indi-

ana. This, your committee believe, could have been made fully appear, if they had been furnished with the particular circumstances on which the complaints against our citizens are founded. And this omission, on the part of the Governor of Kentucky, has left the proper authority without the means of investigating the matter in question; and is, at the same time, in the opinion of your committee, a circumstance, which does not carry with it, that degree of respect, which is due from one friendly state to another.

Your committee rejects the idea of the alledged want of energy or promptitude in those charged with administering the laws; or that it is the prejudice of our citizens against slavery, which obstructs the citizens of Kentucky in regaining their fugitive slaves. It is a well known fact, that whatever may be the opinion of our citizens on the abstract principles of slavery; and however repugnant it may appear in their estimation, to the principles of moral justice, there is but one sentiment prevalent on the subject of people of color migrating, in any circumstance, to this state. It is believed, if not restricted, it would in time, become an evil, of not much less magnitude, than slavery itself.—But, notwithstanding our future interest and happiness require that we should discourage, or perhaps prohibit, people of color, from coming into our state, even as freemen. (and certainly more so, as fugitives) yet, it is a solemn duty which we owe to the dignity of our laws and the sovereignty of our state, to protect such of those degraded and much injured people, as are resident in Indiana, and defend them against the grasp of miscreants, who have, in repeated instances, attempted to carry them from our shores into perpetual slavery. And we would observe, that, if the supposed want of energy or promptitude in those who administer the laws, in relation to this subject, has existed, it only was to be found in the forbearance to punish, with proper and merited severity, wretches who would thus violate the rights of humanity, and the laws of our state.

Your committee are much gratified to find, that his Excellency the Governor, has returned a friendly and conciliatory answer to the communication of the Governor of Kentucky; and with him we believe, that it is the wish of the citizens of Indiana, as a member of the American

confederation, as much as in her power, to remove every cause of dissatisfaction between her and other states of the union. But while she is labouring to promote friendly relations on her part, she will expect to meet with correspondent exertions on the part of other states.

Your committee, in the further prosecution of the duties assigned them, will take into consideration the laws on the subject of slaves escaping into this state, as well as the laws for the punishment of the crime of manstealing; and if it should be found that, any new provisions are necessary on either of those subjects, they will form the subjects of future reports.

On motion, said report was committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Saturday next.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennigton,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate, to inform this house, that they have passed the bill from this house, entitled 'an act directing the mode of changing the *venue*,' with several amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this house.

The bill establishing a county treasury, was taken up and read a second time, and refered to a select committee, with leave to report thereon; and thereupon Messrs. Ferguson, Dunn, Lynn, Zenor, Stevens, Beggs, Cotton, Conner, Milroy, Holman, Sullivan, and Daniel, were appointed that committee.

The bill allowing grand jurors a compensation, was taken up and read a second time, and refered to a committee of the whole, and made the order of the day for Thursday next.

The bill concerning elections, was taken up and read the second time, and ordered to be refered to a committee of the whole, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

The bill concerning trespassing animals, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

The bill establishing and regulating ferries, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Wednesday next.

The bill for the relief of sheriffs, was taken up and read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act for the relief of sheriffs for the year eighteen hundred and seventeen."

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The engrossed bill from the senate, entitled "an act concerning non-resident attornies and counsellors at law," was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill for the formation of a new county out of the county of Pike, Mr. Little in the chair & after some time spent therein, mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Little reported, that the committee of the whole, according to order, had had said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house, which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, when they were again read, and concurred in by the house.

On motion,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

And then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The house proceeded to consider the amendments made by the senate, to the bill, entitled "an act directing the mode of changing the *venue*," the first of which was made by striking out of the title of said bill, these words "directing the mode of changing the," and inserting in lieu thereof, these words, "repealing all laws and parts of laws, authorising a change of," the second amendment was made by striking out said bill from the enacting clause, and inserting in lieu thereof, these words "that all laws and parts of laws authorising a change of *venue*, is hereby repealed.

On motion,

The house concurred in said amendments; and on the question of concurrence, the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Ferguson and Stevens, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,			NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,	Holman,	Messrs. Cotton,	
Boon,	Little,	Daniel,	
Carr,	Lynn,	Hunt,	
Campbell,	Milroy	M'Clure,	
Conner,	Scott,	Stevens,	
Dunn,	Snowden,	Slaughter,	
Ferguson,	Sullivan,	and	
Graham,	and	Lane, (spea.)–7.	
Hill,	Zenor—17.		

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the engrossed bill from the senate, entitled "an act to provide for carrying the laws into effect in new counties, Mr. Conner in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Conner reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house; and on motion, a further consideration of said bill is postponed until Wednesday the 24th inst.

The Speaker laid before the house a communication from Messrs. Berry and Wood, on the subject of printing and binding the constitution and journal of the convention, which was read and refered to the committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Hill laid before the house certain documents, relative to the removal of the seat of justice of Wayne county, which was refered to the committee, to whom was refered the petition of sundry inhabitants of Wayne county, praying that the seat of justice of said county may be re-established at Salisbury.

Mr. Dunn gave notice, that he would on to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill relinquishing the shares reserved by the state, in the Farmer's and Mechanic's bank of Indiana, and for other purposes.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

TUESDAY. Dec. 16.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Snowden, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of Wayne county, praying that the seat of justice of said county may be re-established at the town of Salisbury, made the following report:

Mr. Speaker, your committee to whom was referred the petition of William Colleon and others of Wayne county with the accompanying documents, praying that the seat of justice of said county may be re-established at Salisbury, beg leave to report that it is the opinion of a majority of your committee, that the prayer of the petitioners is unreasonable and ought not to be granted, in which report the house concurred; but before the house concurred in said report, the said petition together with the accompanying documents were severally read.—The speaker laid before the house a communication from John J. Neely, Col. of the 4th Regt. of Indiana militia, on the subject of the militia law, relative to persons conscienciously scrupulous of bearing arms, which was read, and referred to the select committee to whom was referred that part of the Governor's message which relates to the militia.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee of revision, reported the following bills:

A bill authorising the appointment of a pilot at the falls of the Ohio river, which was read, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow. Also, a bill providing a summary mode of collecting debts in certain cases; and a bill making bonds, bills and promisory notes negotiable, which were severally read, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The engrossed bill from the senate entitled an act relative to applications for new counties hereafter to be laid off, and for other purposes, was taken up and read the second time, when on motion of Mr. Sullivan, the said bill was amended by striking it out from the enacting clause; and on the question shall the said bill be so amended, the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Graham and Hill, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,			NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,		Little,	Messrs. Buntin,
Boon,		Hunt,	Dunn,
Bryson,		Lovell,	Graham,
Carr,		M'Clure,	Hill,
Campbell,		Milroy,	Lynn,
Chambers,		Snowden,	Scott and
Cotton,		Slaughter,	Stevens, 7.
Conner,		Sullivan,	
Daniel		Zenor, and	
Ferguson,		Lane, speaker.	
Holman.			

Mr. Sullivan, then moved that the said bill be refered to a select committee with leave to report thereon, and on that question, it was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Boon.

A further consideration of said bill was indefinitely postponed.

The bill against forcible entry and detainer, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for monday next.

The engrossed bill from the senate, entitled an act to organize the county of Ripley, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Thursday week next.

The bill authorising and regulating arbitrations, was taken up and read a second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Thursday next.

The bill authorising the granting of letters testamentary and letters of administration, for the settlement of testates and intestates estates, and for other purposes, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Saturday next.

The engrossed bill, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Orange and Jackson," was taken up and read the third time, when Mr. Graham moved, that said bill be re-committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for this day; which motion was decided in the negative.

The bill was then put upon its passage, and on the question, it was carried in the affirmative.

Ordered, That it be entitled 'an act for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Orange and Jackson.'

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The bill for the formation of a new county, out of the county of Pike, was taken up and read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That it be entitled 'an act for the formation of a new county out of the county of Pike.'

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

And then the house adjourned until 3 o'clock P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill regulating the emigration of free negroes and mulatoes into this state, Mr. Boon in the chair, and after some time spent therein, mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and mr. Boon reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again; whereupon leave was granted.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 17.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled 'an act respecting non-resident attornies and counsellors at law,' and the enrolled joint resolution of the senate and house of representatatives, on the subject of the proposed amendment to the constitution of the United States, and found the same truly enrolled: Whereupon the speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Boon gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill establishing ware-houses.

Mr. Stevens gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill organizing the supreme court, and regulating the practice therein, revised and amended.

On motion,

A committee of Messrs. Ferguson, Carr, Daniel, Sul

livan, Stevens, Holman, Chambers, Snowden and Cotton, were appointed to bring in a bill, requiring the secretary of state to procure from the registers of the land offices at Vincennes, Jeffersonville and Cincinnati, a list of land subject to taxation in this state.

Mr. Lynn, from the committee to whom was refered the petition of Thomas E. Castleberry, reported a bill for the relief of said Castleberry; which was read and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee of revision, reported a bill to prevent persons from trading with Indians; which was read and ordered to be read a second time to morrow.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee, to whom was refered the petition of Benjamin Duty, praying a divorce from his wife Polly Duty, reported a bill for that purpose; which was read and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday week next.

Mr. Sullivan presented the petition of Thomas Cotner, praying an act to be passed, to authorise a speedy trial of said petitioner, who is confined in jail; which was read, and on motion, a further consideration of said petition is indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee of revision, reported a bill to improve the breed of horses; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time on Friday next.

Mr. Conner presented the petition of Aaron Cuningham and others, praying a change of the boundary of Perry county, and a removal of the seat of justice of said county. —Also, a remonstrance against said petition; which were severally read, and committed to the committee, to whom was refered the petition of Moses Wood and others, with leave to report by bill or otherwise. On motion, Messrs, Slaughter and Carr were added to said committee.

Mr. Zenor presented the petition of Henry Fullenwider and others, praying for the formation of a new county, out of the counties of Perry and Harrison; which was read and refered to the committee, to whom was refered the petition of Moses Wood and others, with leave to report by bill or otherwise. On motion, Messrs. Littell and Zenor were added to said committee.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee of revision, reported a bill defining and regulating privileges in certain cases;

which was read, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Sullivan presented the petition of David French and others, praying for the formation of two new counties, out of the county of Sullivan; which was read and refered to a select committee of messrs. Sullivan, Buntin, M'Clure, Chambers, Daniel, Campbell, Graham, Little and Milroy with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The bill authorising the appointment of a pilot at the falls of the Ohio, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

The bill making bonds, bills and promisary notes negotiable, was taken up and read the second time, committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Friday next.

The bill authorising the executors of John Johnston, decd. to sell and convey the interest of the minor heirs of said deceadent, in certain property belonging to the Vincennes steam mill company, was taken up and read the second time, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

The bill providing a summery mode of collecting debts in certain cases, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for monday next.

The bill regulating proceedings in ejectment, distress for rent and tenants at will holding over, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Saturday next.

The engrossed bill from the senate, authorising the granting of writs of *ne exeat*, was taken up and read the second time, and refered to a committee of the whole house on Tuesday next.

The house again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill regulating the emigration of free negroes and mulatoes into this state, mr. Boon in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and mr. Boon reported, that the committee of the whole, had according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again.

Mr. Dunn then moved, that said bill be indefinitely postponed ; which motion was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan,

The committee of the whole were discharged from a further consideration of said bill, and the same was refered to a select committee of messrs. Graham, Beggs, Milroy, Sullivan, Daniel, Ferguson, Boon, Little, Littell, and Bryson, with leave to report thereon, by bill or otherwise.

And then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill concerning joint estates and obligations, Mr. Dunn in the chair, and after some time spent therein, mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and mr. Dunn reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made no amendment to the same, and had directed him to report the said bill without amendment.

On motion,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill providing for surveyors and their deputies, Mr. Stevens in the chair, and after some time spent therein, mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and mr. Stevens reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again.

On motion,

The committee of the whole were discharged from a further consideration of said bill, and the same was committed to a select committee of messrs. Sullivan, Beggs, Buntin, Carr and Lynn, with leave to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

On motion,

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill concerning trespassing animals, mr. Daniel in the chair, and after some time spent therein, mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and mr. Daniel reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to

the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Mr. Daniel then moved that the further consideration of said bill be indefinitely postponed, and on that question, the yeas and nays being demanded by messrs. Boon and Slaughter, it was decided in the negative; and the votes were as follows.

YEAS,	NAYS,	
Messrs. Boon,	Messrs. Beggs,	Little,
Carr,	Bryson,	Lynn,
Campbell,	Buntin,	Scott,
Chambers,	Cotton,	Snowden,
Daniel,	Conner,	Stevens,
Ferguson and	Dunn,	Slaughter,
Littell,	Graham,	Sullivan,
	Holman,	Zenor and
	Hunt,	Lane, speaker.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed for a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Conner presented the petition of John Shields and others, praying for a division of Perry county, and a removal of the seat of justice of the same; which was read and refered to the select committee, to whom was refered the petition of Moses Wood and others, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Boon presented the petition of Robert Gibbs, Isaac Callar and others, praying for the formation of a new county, out of the counties of Warrick and Perry; which was read and refered to the committee, to whom was refered the petition of Moses Wood and others, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Ferguson presented the petition of William Wright and others, praying an act to authorise the erecting of a toll bridge across Silver creek; which was read and refered to a select committee of messrs. Ferguson, Beggs and Carr, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

THURSDAY, Dec. 18.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Sullivan presented the petition of A. Grant and others, praying for the formation of a new county, out of the county of Sullivan; which was read and refered to the committee, to whom was refered the petition of David French and others.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that the President of the Senate has signed the enrolled bill, entitled "an act respecting non resident attornies and counsellors at law; and also, the enrolled joint resolution of the senate and house of representatives, on the subject of the proposed amendments to the constitution of the United States.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee to whom was refered the subject of a further examination into the offices and accounts of the different Auditors and Treasurers of the late Territorial government, and the subject of the Territorial Warrants, reported, that the said committee had had the subject under consideration, and in consequence of the confused state of the books and papers of those offices, together with the loss of several books, journals and other documents, they find that it is impossible to form any thing like a correct estimate of the total amount of receipts and expenditures of the late Territorial government.

The committee beg leave further to report, that from the books and papers in those offices, and from the report of a committee of the last general assembly, that there was issued from the 30th of November, 1805, till the 30th November, 1816, in Territorial Warrants, the sum of 22,488 dollars and 3 1-4 cents; and that from the books, papers and receipts in those offices, it also appears that there has been between the said 30th November, 1805, and the 30th November, 1817, Territorial Warrants, to the amount of near $ 26,000 00 cents liquidated and paid at the proper offices; which discovers to the committee beyond contradiction, that there has been in and about $ 3,500 00 of spurious warrants liquidated and paid, or, that there has been a very gross misfeasance or malfeasance in some of those late Territorial offices.

The committee beg leave further to report, that from evidence *de hors*, the said books, papers and documents in said offices, they are induced to believe that there is yet

in circulation, near or about $ 200 00 in Territorial Warrants; and in consequence of the limitation in the statute of 1817, passed at the last general assembly, the Auditor of state has refused to liquidate or audit them; therefore they remain afloat unpaid, and are, as the committee believe, in the hands of honest individuals.

The committee therefore beg leave to recommend to this honorable house, to authorise the Auditor to audit any amount of Territorial Warrants, (which are not spurious) not exceeding $ 200 00, if the same should be presented for liquidation on or before the first day of May next, and make a special appropriation for the payment of the same.

Mr. Stevens, pursuant to notice and leave given, introduced a bill organizing the supreme court and regulating the practice therein, revised and amended; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Snowden gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill for the formation of a new county, out of the counties of Franklin and Wayne.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill, entitled 'an act regulating *marriages*,' to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee of revision, reported a bill defining the duties of recorders, and for other purposes: which was read, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The bill from the senate, entitled 'an act regulating *marriages*,' was taken up and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Slaughter laid before the house, a presentment of the grand jury of Harrison county, on the subject of spirituous liquors; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The Speaker laid before the house, the petition of Elijah Rinker, praying to be divorced from his wife Polly Rinker; which was read, and refered to a select committee of messrs. Milroy, Little and Chambers, with leave to report by bill otherwise.

Mr. Ferguson gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill on the subject of frauds and perjuries.

The bill for the relief of Thomas E. Castleberry, the

bill defining and regulating proceedings in certain cases, and the bill to prohibit persons from trading with Indians, were taken up and severally read a second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

The bill providing for public roads and highways, and the bill concerning firing prairies and wood lands, were taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Saturday next.

The engrossed bill, concerning joint estates and obligations, was taken up and read the third time and passed; and on the question, shall this bill pass? The yeas and nays being demanded by messrs. Stevens and Daniel, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,		NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,	Hunt.	Messrs. Bryson,
Boon,	Littell,	Buntin.
Carr,	Little,	Cotton and
Campbell,	Lynn,	Stevens.
Chambers,	Milroy,	
Conner,	Scott,	
Dunn,	Snowden,	
Daniel,	Slaughter,	
Ferguson,	Sullivan,	
Graham,	Zenor and	
Hill,	Lane, (speaker.)	
Holman.		

Ordered, That the said bill be entitled an act concerning joint rights and obligattons.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The engrossed bill concerning trespassing animals, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That it be entitled an act concerning trespassing animals.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

And then then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported, that said committee did on this day present to his Excellency the Governor, for his approval and signature, the enrolled bill entitled an act respecting non-resident attornies and counsellors at law; and the enrolled

joint resolution of the senate and house of representatives on the subject of the proposed amendments to the constitution of the United States.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill establishing and regulating ferries, Mr. Little in the chair, and after some time spent therein, mr. Speaker resumed the chair, & Mr. Little reported, that the committee of the whole, had according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made several amendments to the same, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house. On motion, ordered that said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

A message from the senate by Mr. Montgomery,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that the senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county, out of the county of Pike.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the report of the select committee, to whom was refered that part of the Governor's message, relative to the obstructions in the Ohio river, Mr. Sullivan in the chair, and after some time spent therein, mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and mr. Sullivan reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said report under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house. On motion, ordered that the said report be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

FRIDAY, Dec. 19.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee of enrolled bills, reported, that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act repealing all laws, and parts of laws, authorising a change of *venue*," and the enrolled bill, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county, out of

the eastern part of Pike county," and found the same truly enrolled: Whereupon the Speaker signed the same, and appointed Mr. Sullivan a committee to inform the senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Beggs,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to take into consideration the propriety of taking the sense of the people of this state, on that part of the constitution which fixes the seat of government at Coryden until the year 1825, with leave to report by bill or otherwise; and thereupon Messrs. Beggs, Dunn, Milroy, Carr, Slaughter, Graham, Ferguson, Stevens and Sullivan, were appointed that committee.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee of revision, reported the following bills:—A bill directing what laws shall be in force; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow—A bill giving certain remedies in equity; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table—And a bill rendering authentic, records, evidence and proceedings in other states; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee on the subject of the Ohio canal company, reported a bill; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Mr. Boon, from the committee, to whom was refered the petitions of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Posey, Warrick, Gibson and Perry, reported a bill for the formation of a new county, out of the counties of Warrick and Perry; and also, a bill for the formation of a new county, out of the counties of Warrick, Gibson and Posey, and to remove the seat of justice of Warrick county; which were severally read, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Snowden, agreeably to notice and leave given, introduced a bill for the formation of a new county, out of the counties of Franklin and Wayne; which was read, and on motion of Mr. Hill, the further consideration of said bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Snowden also, introduced a bill for the formation of a new county, out of the north end of Wayne county; which was read and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Boon, from the committee, to whom was refered the

petition of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Harrison and Perry, praying to have a part of Harrison county attached to Perry county, and to remove the seat of justice of Perry county, reported a bill for that purpose; which was read and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Boon, agreeably to notice and leave given, introduced a bill regulating ware-houses; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee appointed for that purpose, reported a bill to authorise William Wright to erect a toll bridge over Silver creek; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Mr. Carr presented the petition of Richard Austin, on the subject of a ferry across the mouth of Silver creek; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ferguson, agreeably to notice and leave given, introduced a bill to prevent frauds and perjuries; which was read and ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. Stevens,

Ordered, That the bill giving a remedy in equity, in certain cases, be refered to the select committee, to whom was refered the revision of the practice act.

The bill organizing the supreme court and regulating the practice therein, was taken up and read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

A message from the senate by Mr Fercis,

Mr. Speaker—The president of the senate has signed the enrolled bill, entitled "an act repealing all laws and parts of laws, directing the mode of changing the *venue*:" Also, the enrolled bill, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county, out of the east end of Pike county."

The bill defining and regulating the duties of recorders, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Monday next.

The bill for the relief of occupying claimants to land, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Tuesday next.

The bill to improve the breed of horses, was taken up

and read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on Monday next.

The bill to regulate marriages, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Wednesday next.

The joint resolution, on the subject of the obstructions in the Ohio, was taken up and read the second time, and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to establish and regulate ferries, was taken up and read the third time, when, on motion of mr. Conner, the same was amended by adding a clause, by way of rider, to said bill; which amendment was read the first, second and third time, and then the bill was put upon its passage, and carried: and on the question, the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Boon and Zenor, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,		NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,	Holman,	Messrs. Boon.
Bryson,	Hunt,	Buntin,
Chambers,	Little,	Carr,
Cotton,	M'Clure,	Campbell,
Conner,	Scott,	Littell,
Dunn,	Snowden,	Lynn,
Daniel,	Slaughter,	Stevens,
Ferguson,	Zenor and	and
Graham,	Lane, (speaker.)	Sullivan.
Hill.		

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act establishing and regulating ferries;" and thereupon the clerk signed said bill, and mr. Hunt was appointed a committee to inform the senate thereof.

And then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill for the relief of Thomas E. Castleberry, mr. Dunn in the chair, and after some time spent therein, mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and mr. Dunn reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again. Mr.

Stevens then moved that the further consideration of said bill, be indefinitely postponed ; which motion was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan,

Leave was then given to the committee of the whole to sit again on the said bill, and to receive the testimony of the hon. R. A. New and Robert M. Evans Eqs. and that the committee of the whole have leave to appoint a member to wait on those gentlemen, as also, to wait upon his Excellency the Governor, and request them to attend before the committee, and lay before them all the evidence relative to the subject matter of said bill, which may be in their knowledge or possession.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill organizing the associate judges, as a county court, mr. Carr in the chair, and after some time spent therein, mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and mr. Carr, reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again : whereupon leave was given.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill providing for a pilot at the Falls of the Ohio river, mr. Holman in the chair, and after some time spent therein, mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and mr. Holman reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same ; to which amendments they desire the concurrence of the house : which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house,

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Tuesday next.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill to prohibit persons from selling spirits to Indians, mr. Boon in the chair, and after some time spent therein, mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and mr. Boon reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had amended the same by striking it out from the enacting clause, in which amendment they desire

the concurrence of the house: whereupon, on motion, the house concurred in said amendment.

On motion of Mr. Hunt,

The further consideration of said bill was indefinitely postponed.

On motion,

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill giving compensation to grand jurors, Mr. Conner in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Conner reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again: whereupon, on motion, the committee of the whole were discharged from a further consideration of said bill.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

SATURDAY, Dec. 20.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Carr presented the remonstance of James Fisler and others, against the petition of George White, on the subject of a ferry across the Ohio at Jeffersonville; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Graham, from the committee, to whom was refered the bill regulating the emigration of free negroes and mulatoes into this state, reported said bill without amendment; which was read and ordered to be read the second time on Monday next.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported, that the said committee did, on this day, present to his Excellency the Governor, for his approval and signature, the enrolled bill, entitled "an act forming a new county, out of the east end of Pike county."—Also, the enrolled bill, entitled "an act repealing all laws and parts of laws directing the mode of changing the *venue*."

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee of revision, reported the following bills, to wit:—A bill concerning impeachments—A bill to prevent persons from disposing of arms, ammunition and warlike implements to Indians—And a bill regulating the enclosing and cultivating of common fields; which bills were severally read, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.—Also, a bill con-

cerning vagrants—Also, a bill regulating the interest of money—And a bill regulating the inspection of flour, beef and pork; which were severally read, and ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday next. Also, a bill concerning debtors and their securities—And a bill regulating divorces; which were severally read, and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill for fixing the seats of justice in all new counties hereafter to be laid off; to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

A message from the Governor by R. A. New, Secretary of State,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor, to inform this house, that he did on this day, approve and sign the enrolled bill, entitled "an act repealing all laws and parts of laws, directing the mode of changing the *venue*;" and the enrolled bill, entitled "an act forming a new county out of the east end of Pike county," which originated in this house.

The bill from the senate, for fixing the seats of justice in all new counties hereafter to be laid off, was taken up and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Mr. Sullivan laid before the house, certain documents relative to the contest between Thomas E. Castleberry and David Love, on the subject of the clerkship of Posey county; which were refered to the committee of the whole, on the bill for the relief of said Castleberry.

On motion of Mr. Boon,

Ordered, That the door-keeper be directed to collect and bring into the representative chamber, the chairs which were furnished at the last session, and which belong to the two houses of the general assembly.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee of Ways and Means, made the following report:

Mr. Speaker—The committee of Ways and Means, have had the various subjects refered to them, under consideration, and now beg leave to report, that from the information they can get, and from the best data of calculation, they are of opinion that the expenditures of the ensuing year, begining on the 30th November last, and ending the 30th of November next, will amount to, in and about, the

sum of $ 19,700 00; which will more fully appear from the following detail, to wit:

For the floating debt in territorial warrants	$ 200 00
The present general assembly, including clerks, stationary, printing and distributing laws and other contingencies - -	9,500 00
The Executive Department - -	2,200 00
The Judiciary Department - -	5,600 00
For interest on the public debt -	1,200 00
For services rendered during the last year unliquidated - -	100 00
Wolf scalps - -	500 00
Additional appropriations for furnishing the Supreme Court with books and seal -	100 00
Contingent fund - - -	300 00
Total Amount	19,700 00

And the committee beg leave further to report, that the probable amount of the receipts at the Treasury Department, for the period begining the 30th November, 1817, and ending on the 20th December, 1818, will be in and about 32,332 42 1-2; which will more fully appear from the following detail, to wit:

To amount of cash on hand in the Treasury on the 8th December, 1817, -	$ 7,234 13 1-2
To amount due from the citizens of Corydon - - -	1,000 00
To amount due and unpaid by sundry sheriffs, exclusive of commissions for the year 1817 and exclusive of sundry ballances under the late Territorial government - -	6,578 29
To the probable amount due from the following counties, to wit: Clark, Gibson, Washington and Switzerland, for the year 1817, from which no duplicates have been received - - -	2,000 00
To the probable amount of the land tax for the year 1818, which will be due from the several sheriffs on the aforesaid 20th December, 1818, - - -	15,500 00
Total Amount	32,332 42 1-2

From which view of your committee and statement, it

appears that if the receipts above calculated, should be actually realized within the above named period, there would be a ballance in the Treasury of State, on the 20th December, 1818, of $12332 42 1-2 cts. after defraying all the above enumerated expenditures. But your Committee are well aware that it is probable that not more than one half of the foregoing calculated receipts can be realized within the time last mentioned. Then in that case it would occasion a defect of, in and about, $3534 00 cts. which will have to be procured in some other way. The Committee therefore beg leave to recommend to this honorable House, to supply the above defect by resorting to a loan, in order that the Treasury Department may be fully prepared to meet all probable expenditures. Your Committee therefore are of the opinion, that the sum of $5000 ought to be loaned.

Mr. Stevens gave notice that he would, on Monday next, move for leave to bring in a bill regulating the practice in Chancery.

Mr. Sullivan, from the Committee to whom was refered that part of the Governor's Message relative to the propriety of a moderate loan, reported a bill on that subject; which was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on monday next.

Mr. Conner gave notice that he would, on Monday next, move for leave to bring in a bill to prevent non-residents from bringing stock into this state and turning them into the range.

Mr. Beggs presented the petition of the Trustees of Clarksville, praying an act to incorporate them as a Turnpike Company for certain purposes; which was read and refered to a select Committee of Messrs. Beggs, Carr, Ferguson, Hunt and Little, of Washington.

The Bill declaring what laws shall be in force, was taken up and read the 2d time, and on motion of Mr. Cotton, ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on Monday next.

The bill for the formation of a new county out of the countiesof Warrick and Perry;—and the bill to attach a part of the county of Harrison to the county of Perry, and to remove the seat of Justice of Perry County;—and the bill for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Warrick, Gibson and Posey, were taken up and seve-

rally read and committed to a committee of the whole House, and made the order of the day for Monday next.

The bill for the formation of a new countyout of the north end of Wayne County, was taken up and read the second time, and, on motion of Mr. Holman, the same was referred to a select Committee with leave to report thereon by bill or otherwise: and thereupon Messrs. Holman, Scott, Hill, Snowden and Bryson were appointed that Committee.

The engrossed bill for the relief of George White was taken up and read the third time, when, on motion of Mr. Conner, the further consideration of said bill was indefinitely postponed; and on that question the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Conner and Ferguson, the votes were as follows:

	Yeas.		*Nays.*
Messrs.	Beggs,	Graham,	Messrs. Buntin,
	Boon,	Holman,	Carr,
	Bryson,	Little, of W.	Chambers,
	Campbell,	Little, of H.	Cotton,
	Conner,	Lynn,	Hill,
	Dunn,	Snowden,	Hunt,
	Daniel,	Slaughter, &	M'Clure,
	Ferguson,	Zenor—16.	Scott,
			Stevens,
			Sullivan, &
			Lane, Sp. 11.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on the bill, for the relief of Thomas E. Castleberry, Mr. Ferguson in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Ferguson reported, that the Committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made no amendments to the same, and had directed him to report the said bill without amendment.

On motion, *Ordered*, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time, on Monday next.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Penington.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate have rejected the bill from this House, requiring the Secretary of State to procure from the Registers of the Land Offices at Vincennes, Jeffersonville and Cincinnati, a list of land subject to taxation in this State.

And then the House adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.—On motion of Mr. Dunn, the further consideration of the orders of the day were postponed until Monday next.

Mr. Dunn, agreeably to notice and leave given, introduced a bill relinquishing the Shares reserved by the State in the Farmer's and Mechanic's Bank of Indiana; which was read and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned until Monday Morning, nine o'clock.

MONDAY MORNING, December 22d.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

MR. Stevens, from the Committee of Revision, reported a bill for the revival of certain suits and actions; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

MR. Sullivan presented the petitions of John M'Nought and others, praying for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Orange, Davies and Sullivan; which was read and refered to the same Committee to whom was refered the petition of sundry inhabitants of Sullivan county, praying for the formation of a new county.

MR. Sullivan also presented the petition of Isaac Hunter and others, praying for the formation of two new counties out of the county of Sullivan; which was read and referred to the aforesaid Committee.

Mr. Hunt, from the committee of revision, reported a bill for the support of illegitimate children; which was read and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

MR. Sullivan, agreeably to notice and leave given, introduced a bill, authorising the issuing writs of certiorari in certain cases; which was read, and, on motion of MR. Stevens, the further consideration of said bill was indefinitely postponed: and on that question the yeas and nays be-

ing demanded by messrs. Hunt and Sullivan, the votes were as follows:

YEAS.		NAYS.
Messrs. Beggs,	Hunt,	Messrs. Boon,
Bryson,	Little,	Buntin,
Carr,	Lynn,	Littell, &
Campbell,	M'Clure,	Sullivan—4
Chambers.	Milroy,	
Cotton,	Scott,	
Conner,	Snowden,	
Dunn,	Stevens,	
Daniel,	Slaughter,	
Ferguson,	Zenor, &	
Graham,	Lane, Speaker—23.	
Hill,		

Mr. Stevens, agreeably to notice and leave given, introduced a bill to regulate the practice in suits in chancery; which was read, and ordered to be read a 2d time, on Wednesday next.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Depauw.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that the senate have passed a bill, entitled, an act regulating the fees of certain officers and persons therein named; and also a bill entitled, an act regulating the assignment of Dower, and prescribing the mode of proceeding therein, to which several bills they desire the concurrence of this house.

The bill to incorporate the Ohio Canal Company was taken up and read the 2d time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Saturday next.

The bill establishing ware-houses, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

The bill rendering authentic, as evidence, records and proceedings of other states, was read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Wednesday next.

The bill to prevent frauds and perjuries, was taken up and read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Thursday next.

The bill to authorize Wm. Wright to erect a toll bridge over Silver-creek, was taken up and read the second time,

and committed to the select committee to whom was referred the petition of the Trustees of Clarksville.

On motion Mr. Stevens was added to said committee.

The bill authorising a moderate loan, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Thursday next.

The bill concerning impeachments was taken up and read a second time, committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Monday next.

The bill regulating the emigration of free negroes and mulatoe's into this state, was taken up and read the second time, and, on motion of Mr. Sullivan, committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Tuesday evening next, at 8 o'clock.

The bill to prevent the disposing of arms, amunition and war-like implements, to Indians, was read a second time and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Friday next.

The bill regulating divorces, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Wednesday next.

The engrossed bill from the Senate, entitled, An act, fixing the seats of Justice in all new counties hereafter to be laid off, was taken up and read the second time. and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Friday next.

The bill regulating the inclosing and cultivating of common fields, was taken up and read a second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Wednesday next.

The bill relinquishing the shares reserved by the state in the Farmers and Mechanics Bank of Indiana, was taken up and read the second time, when Mr. Graham moved that a further consideration of said bill be indefinitely postponed; which motion was decided in the negative.—On motion of Mr. Dunn, ordered, that said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Wednesday next.

A message from the senate by Mr. Conner.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, making a specific appropriation for Wolf scalps, with some amendments; to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this house.

Whereupon, the house proceeded to consider the amendments made by the senate to said bill; when Mr. Graham moved that the house concur in said amendments; and on that question, the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Sullivan and Zenor, it was decided in the affirmative, and the votes were as follows:

YEAS.		*NAYS.*
Messrs. Boon,	Hunt,	Messrs. Beggs,
Bryson,	Little,	Buntin,
Cotton,	Littell,	Carr,
Conner,	Lynn,	Campbell,
Dunn,	M'Clure,	Chambers,
Daniel,	Scott,	Ferguson,
Graham,	Slaughter, &	Snowden,
Hill,	Lane, Sp.—16.	Stevens,
		Sullivan, &
		Zenor.

Mr. Graham was appointed a committee to inform the senate thereof.

The engrossed bill entitled, An act declaring what laws shall be in force was taken up and read the third time and passed; and on the question, the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. M'Clure and Daniel, the votes were as follows:

YEAS.		NAYS.
Messrs. Beggs,	Hunt	Messrs. Boon,
Bryson,	Hill,	Buntin,
Carr,	Little,	M'Clure, &
Campbell,	Littell,	Zenor—4
Chambers,	Lynn,	
Cotton,	Scott,	
Conner,	Snowden,	
Dunn,	Stevens,	
Daniel,	Sullivan &	
Ferguson,	Lane, Speaker—20.	

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, An act declaring what laws shall be in force.

Mr. Buntin was appointed to inform the senate thereof, and desire their coocurrence therein.

The engrossed bill to improve the breed of horses, was taken up and read the third time, and Mr. Sullivan moved that the further consideration of said bill be indefinitely postponed; and on that question, it was decided in the negative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Ferguson and Stevens, the votes were as follows:

	YEAS,		NAYS,	
Messrs.	Campbell,	Messrs.	Beggs,	Hunt,
	Chambers		Boon,	Little,
	and		Bryson,	Littell,
	Sullivan.		Buntin,	Lynn,
			Carr,	M'Clure,
			Cotton,	Scott,
			Conner,	Snowden,
			Dunn,	Stevens,
			Daniel,	Slaughter,
			Ferguson,	Zenor and
			Hill,	Lane, speaker.

The bill was then put upon its passage and carried.

Ordered, That it be entitled "an act to improve the breed of horses."

Mr. Snowden was appointed to inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto.

The bill for the relief of Thomas E. Castleberry, was taken up and read the third time, and passed; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Daniel & Stevens, the votes were as follows:

	YEAS,			NAYS,
Messrs.	Beggs,	Hill,	Messrs.	Bryson,
	Boon,	Little,		Buntin,
	Carr,	Littell,		Daniel,
	Campbell,	Lynn,		Ferguson,
	Chambers,	Scott,		Hunt,
	Cotton,	Sullivan,		M'Clure,
	Conner,	Zenor and		Snowden,
	Dunn,	Lane, (Speaker.)		Stevens and
	Graham,			Slaughter.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act for the relief of Thomas E. Castleberry."

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof: whereupon Mr. Lynn was appointed to inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Messrs. Stevens, Daniel and others, whose names are hereunto subscribed, protesting against the passage of said bill, entered the following protest and the reasons therefor, to wit:

"We are clearly of an opinion, that the act is unconstitutional, contrary to the policy of our government, subversive of the rights of the people, and directly calculated to introduce principles and precedents which may ultimately destroy our elective franchise.

"1st. Because it puts a man out of office, who has been "regularly, agreeably to the laws of the land, commis- "sioned by the Executive of this state.

"2. Because the act puts another man into the same "office, who never has been returned elected according "to law.

"3. Because, by the act, the legislature has put a man "into an important office without giving the people the "right which the constitution has guaranteed to them, "to wit: the right of election.

"4. Although there was fraud in the first election, yet, "the act is partial, because the same proof which proved "to this house, that the wrong man was commissioned "clerk, proved also, that the corruption extended to the "recorder and judges; yet the act does displace them and "commission others.

"5. Because we believe that the extent of the constitu- "tional power of the legislature, would be to declare the "contested election void, on account of corruption and "fraud, and order, by law, a new election.

"6. Because we have no proof before us, to convince "us that the people would now elect whom the act forci- "bly puts into office, without asking the people to choose "for themselves; or, even giving to them that constitu- "tional right.

"Stephen C. Stevens,
"Richard Daniel,
"James Snowden,
"John Bryson,
"Robert Buntin,
"John M'Clure,
"Benjamin Ferguson,
"Samuel Milroy."

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill regulating and defining privileges in certain cases, MR. BOON in the chair, and after some time spent therein, MR. SPEAKER resumed the chair, and MR. BOON reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow. And then the house adjourned for one hour.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion,

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill for the formation of a new county, out of the counties of Warrick and Posey, and the bill for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Warrick, Gibson and Posey, and for the removal of the seat of justice of Warrick county, and the bill to attach a part of the county of Harrison to that of Posey and to remove the seat of justice of Perry county, Mr. Dunn in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Dunn reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bills under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

On motion, said bills were ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

TUESDAY, Dec. 23.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Holman, from the committee to whom was refered the bill for the formation of a new county, out of the north end of Wayne county, reported said bill with amendments; which was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee, to whom was refered the petition of sundry inhabitants of Sullivan county, reported a bill for the formation of a new county, out of the said county of Sullivan; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Mr. Hunt, from the committee of revision, reported a bill to perpetuate testimony; which was read and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Mr. Ferguson, agreeably to notice and leave given, introduced a bill providing for the three per cent of the nett proceeds of certain lands within this state; which was

read and ordered to be read the second time on Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Stevens,

Ordered, That a committee of one be appointed to obtain by loan or purchase, a complete set of the statutes of the late Territorial Government and of the State of Indiana, for the use of the house for and during the present session; and therenpon Mr. Stevens was appointed that committee.

Mr. Conner, agreeably to notice and leave given, introduced a bill to prevent non-residents from bringing horses, cattle and hogs into this state, and turning them into the range; which was read, when Mr. Sullivan moved, that the further consideration of said bill be indefinitely postponed; which motion was decided in the negative. And on motion, the said bill was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Sullivan introduced a joint resolution to cause the acts of the present general assembly to be printed in the most speedy manner; which was read and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Mr. Stevens, who was appointed a committee to procure the statutes for the use of the house, made the following report:—Mr. Speaker,

Agreeably to the order of this house, I have procured by loan, a revised code from col. A. D. Thom, and from R. W. Nelson, Esq. in like manner, the statutes of 1808, 1810, 1811 and the first session of 1813; and have also procured from the secretary's office, the statutes of the second session of 1813, and the statutes of 1814, 1816 and 1817, and have them now ready to deliver to the Speaker or clerk, as the house may order: And thereupon, said statutes were delivered to the clerk for the use of the house.

Mr. Slaughter presented a memorial of the Medical Society of the second Medical District; which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The engrossed bill from the senate, entitled "an act providing for the assignment of dower, and prescribing the mode of proceeding therein," was taken up and read the first time, and ordered to be read the second time on Wednesday next.

The bill providing for the support of illegitimate chil-

dren, was taken up and read the second time and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

The bill regulating the inspection of flour, beef and pork, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house and made the order of the day for Saturday next.

The bill concerning vagrants, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Saturday next.

The bill regulating the interest on money, was taken up and read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on to-morrow.

The bill for the revival of certain suits and actions, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Monday next.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill providing a summery mode of collecting debts in certain cases, MR. CARR in the chair, and after some time spent therein, MR. Speaker resumed the chair, and MR. CARR reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had amended the same by striking it out from the word bill, to the end, and inserting in lieu thereof, the following words, "repealing an act, providing a summery mode of collecting debts in certain cases.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, That the act, entitled an act providing a summery mode of collecting debts in certain cases, approved, September 6th, 1814, be and the same is hereby repealed.

This act to take effect and be in force from and after its publication." And in which amendment they desire the concurrence of the house. On motion, the house concurred in said amendment.

A message from the senate by Mr. Conner,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill, subjecting real estates to execution, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill to authorise the executors of John Johnson dec'd. to sell and convey the interest of the minor heirs of said deceadent, in certain real

property belonging to the Vincennes Steam-Mill Company, Mr. Beggs in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Beggs reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same. to which they desire the concurrence of the house ; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Wednesday next.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act concerning joint rights and obligations, without amendment.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill, providing for domestic attachments and regulating the practice thereon, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act establishing and regulating ferries," with some amendments ; to which they desire the concurrenue of this house.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill against forcible entry and detainer, Mr. Milroy in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Milroy reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house ; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

On motion of Mr. Stevens the said bill was further amended by striking out the following words :

"And no appeal shall be allowed from the judg-
"ment of the justices : provided nevertheless, that the
"proceedings may be removed by certiorari into the circuit
"court holden in such county, and be there quashed for
"irregularity, if any such there be : And that such judg-

"ment shall be no bar to any after action, brought by ei-
"ther party"—

And inserting in lieu thereof these words:

Sect. 6. "That every person or persons who shall be a-
"grieved by any proceedings which may be had under the
"provisions of this act, shall be entitled to an appeal to
"the circuit court of the same county, under the same re-
"strictions, and in the same manner, that appeals are ta-
"ken from the judgments of justices of the peace, under
"the statutes respecting the trial of small causes, and the
"said circuit court shall hear and determine the same a-
"greeably to the true intent and meaning of this statute,
"and carry the same into final execution; but such judg-
"ment shall be no bar to any after action brought by ei-
"ther party:" And on the question shall the bill be so a-
mended, the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Stevens and Hunt, the votes were as follows:

YEAS.		*NAYS.*	
Messrs. Baggs,	Holman,	Messrs. Daniel,	
Boon,	Hunt,	Ferguson,	
Bryson,	Scott,	Littell,	
Carr,	Slaughter,	M'Clure, &	
Chambers,	Stevens,	Snowden.—5.	
Cotton,	Zenor, &		
Dunn,	Lane, Speaker.---15,		
Hill,			

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Saturday next, and then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The engrossed bill authorizing the appointment of a pilot at the falls of the Ohio, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled an act providing for the appointment of a pilot at the falls of the Ohio: ordered that Mr. Little inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto.

The engrossed bill entitled, an act defining and regulating privileges in certain cases, was taken up and read the third time and passed: ordered, that it be entitled, an act defining and regulating privileges: ordered, that Mr. Bryson inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto,

The engrossed bill organizing the supreme court, and regulating the practice therein, was taken up and read the

third time and passed: ordered, that it be entitled, an act organizing the supreme court, and regulating the practice therein; ordered, that *Mr.* Stevens inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee of enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill making a specific appropriation for wolf scalps, and found the same truly enrolled; whereupon the speaker signed the same; ordered that *Mr.* Boon inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by *Mr.* Ferris.

Mr. *S*peaker—*T*he president of the senate has signed the enrolled bill entitled, an act making a specific appropriation for wolf scalps.

The house according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill from the senate, entitled, an act authorizing the granting of writs of ne exeat and regulating the proceedings thereon, Mr. Hunt in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hunt reported that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and made no amendment to the same, and had directed him to report the same without amendment. On motion of Mr. Stevens the said bill was then read the third time and passed, and Mr. *S*ullivan was appointed to inform the senate thereof.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill for the relief of occupying claimants to land, Mr. Hill in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hill reported that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made no amendment to the same, and had directed him to report the same without amendment. On motion said bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time on Friday next.

On motion,

The further consideration of the orders of this day were postponed until to-morrow.

The house proceeded to consider the amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house entitled, an act establishing and regulating Ferries, and on motion the house concurred in the same; ordered that *Mr.* Ferguson inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Sullivan having obtained leave, introduced a bill effectually to prevent duelling, which was read the first time, when Mr. Beggs moved that the further consideration of said bill be indefinitely postponed; and the question being put it was decided in the negative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Sullivan and Boon, the votes were as follows:

YEAS.	NAYS.	
Messrs. Beggs,	Messrs. Boon,	M'Clure,
Bryson,	Daniel,	Scott,
Carr,	Ferguson,	Slaughter,
Chambers,	Graham,	Snowden,
Cotton,	Hill,	Stevens,
Conner,	Holman,	Sullivan,
Dunn,—7.	Hunt,	Zenor, &
	Littell,	Lane, Sp.—16.

Ordered, That said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Daniel then moved, that 40 copies of said bill be printed; and on that question it was decided in the negative, and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Dunn and Conner, the votes were as follows:

YEAS.	NAYS.	
Messrs. Boon,	Messrs. Beggs,	Graham,
Bryson,	Carr,	Hill,
Daniel,	Chambers,	Holman,
Littell,	Cotton,	Scott,
M'Clure,	Conner,	Snowden, &
Slaughter,	Dunn,	Lane—Sp. 13.
Stevens,	Ferguson,	
Sullivan, &		
Zenor—9		

Mr. Graham laid before the house the petition of John Berry, praying an act to authorise him to lay out the estate of Thomas Berry, deceased, in the purchase of land for the benefit of the minor heirs of said Thomas Berry, dec'd; which was read and ordered to be committed to a select committee with leave to report by bill or otherwise, and thereupon Messrs. Graham, Chambers and Little, were appointed that committee.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 24.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Sullivan introduced a joint resolution concerning the state Bank, which was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Sullivan, from the select committee to whom was refered the bill concerning clerks. reported the said bill with amendments, which was read, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

The bill from the senate entitled, an act regulating the fees of certain officers and persons therein named, was taken up and read the first time and ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Monday next.

The bill from the senate entitled, an act subjecting real and personal estate to execution, was taken up and read the first time and ordered to be read a second time on to-morrow.

The bill from the senate entitled, an act authorising domestic attachments and regulating the proceedings thereon was taken, up and read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on Monday next.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker—

I am instructed bythe senate to inform this house that they have passed a bill, entitled, an act for the partition of real estate to which they desire the concurrence of this house, and then he withdrew; and the said bill was taken up and read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee of revision, reported a a bill concerning attornies and counsellors at law, which was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time on Saturday next.

On motion of Mr. Stevens,

Ordered, that a committee be appointed to enquire into the expediency or inexpediency of memorializing congress on the subject of obtaining by purchase or some otherwise, from the Indians, permission for the state of Indiana to lay out and open a public highway, from the town of Brookville, in the county of Franklin, and state aforesaid, to Fort Harrison, on the Wabash, in said state; and thereupon Messrs. Stevens, Sullivan, Ferguson, Dunn, and Daniel, were appointed that committee.

Mr. Sullivan gave notice that he would, on Tuesday next, move for leave to introduce a bill incorporating a turnpike road company, to open a road from Evansville to Fort Harrison.

The bill for the formation of a new county, out of the county of Sullivan, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole on Saturday next.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill, entitled "an act to authorize aliens and foreigners to purchase and hold lands within this state," to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

A message from the senate by Mr. Baird,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act to improve the breed of horses," with some amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The joint resolution, to cause the acts of the present General Assembly to be printed in the most speedy manner, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for this day.

The bill to prevent non-residents from bringing horses, cattle and hogs into this state, and turning them into the range, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Friday next.

The engrossed bill from the senate, entitled "an act for the assignment of dower, and prescribing the mode of proceeding thereon," was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Saturday next.

The bill to provide for the three per cent on the nett proceeds of certain lands in this state, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Monday next.

The bill for the formation of a new county, out of the north end of Wayne county, was taken up and read the second time, and made the order of the day for Thursday next.

The bill to perpetuate testimony, was taken up and

read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Friday next.

The engrossed bill for the support of illegitimate children, was taken up and read the third time, and passed; and on the question, shall this bill pass? The yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Sullivan and Conner, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,		NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,	Hill,	Messrs. Boon,
Bryson,	Holman,	Buntin,
Carr,	Hunt,	Chambers,
Campbell,	Little,	Littell,
Cotton,	Milroy,	M'Clure,
Conner,	Scott,	Sullivan,
Dunn,	Snowden,	and
Daniel,	Stevens,	Zenor.
Ferguson,	Slaughter and	
Graham,	Lane, (Speaker.)	

Ordered, That said be entitled "an act providing for the support of illegitimate children."

Ordered, That Mr. Cotton inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto.

The engrossed bill regulating interest on money, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act regulating interest on money."

Ordered, That Mr. Campbell inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto.

The engrossed bill repealing an act, entitled "an act providing a summery mode of collecting debts in certain cases," was taken up and read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act repealing an act, entitled an act providing a summery mode of collecting debts in certain cases."

Ordered, That Mr. Slaughter inform the senate thereof, and request their concurrence thereto.

The bill authorising the executors of John Johnson, dec'd, to sell and convey the interest of the minor heirs of said deceadent in certain real property belonging to the Vincennes Steam-Mill Company, was taken up and read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act."

Ordered, That Mr. Zenor inform the senate thereof, and request their concurrence thereto.

The bill relinquishing the shares reserved by the state, in the Farmer's and Mechanic's bank of Indiana, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act relinquishing the shares reserved by the state, in the Farmer's and Mechanic's bank of Indiana."

Ordered, That Mr. Dunn inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto.

And then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The engrossed bill for the formation of a new county, out of the counties of Warrick and Posey, and the engrossed bill for the formation of a new county, out of the counties of Warrick, Gibson and Posey, and to remove the seat of justice of Warrick county, and the engrossed bill to attach a part of Harrison county to that of Perry, and to remove the seat of justice of Perry county, were taken up and severally read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bills be entitled "acts." Messrs. Conner, Boon and Sullivan were appointed to inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence to the same.

The bill regulating the practice in chancery, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole and made the order of the day for Friday next.

The bill concerning debtors and their securities, was taken up and read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time on Monday next.

The bill to desolve the bands of matrimony between Benjamin Duty and Polly Duty his wife, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Monday next.

The bill effectually to prevent duelling, was taken up and read the second time, and committeed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Tuesday next.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the engrossed bill from the senate, entitled "an act regulating marriages," Mr. Lit-

tle in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Little reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again: whereupon leave was given. And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

THURSDAY, Dec. 25.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The house proceeded to consider the amendments made by the senate, to the bill from this house, entitled "an act to improve the breed of horses, and on motion, the house concurred in said amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. Hunt inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Daniel, from the select committee, to whom was refered that part of the Governor's message relative to the penal code, reported a bill on that subject; which was read, and on motion, ordered that forty copies of said bill be printed, and that it be read a second time on Friday the third day of January next.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee of enrolled bills, reported that said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act concerning joint rights and obligations," and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That mr. Daniel inform the senate thereof.

The bill from the senate, entitled "an act authorising aliens and foreigners to purchase and hold lands in this state," was taken up and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

On motion of mr. Cotton,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to take into consideration the expediency or inexpediency of providing by law, for the election of a Governor in case of a vacancy which may at any time happen, in consequence of the death, removal or resignation of any Governor of this state, and thereupon messrs. Cotton, Stevens and Hunt were apponted that committee, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The bill concerning clerks, was taken up and read the

second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for monday next.

The engrossed bill from the senate, regulating the fees of the several officers and persons therein named, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Tuesday next. And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

FRIDAY, Dec. 26.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee of enrolled bills, reported that said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act granting writs of *ne exeat*," and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Dunn inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris,

Mr. Speaker—The President of the senate has signed the enrolled bill from this house, entitled "an act concerning joint rights and obligations."

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill, entitled "an act regulating general elections," and also, a bill to restrain unincorporated banking associations, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

Mr. Graham notified the house, that he wished to introduce a subject, which in his opinion, required secrecy: whereupon the house was cleared of all persons except the members and clerks, and the doors were closed, and after some time the doors were opened.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that the President of the senate has signed the enrolled bill, entitled "an act granting writs of *ne exeat* and regulating the proceedings thereon.

Mr. Stevens introduced a joint resolution, providing for the printing of the Declaration of American Independence, the Constitution of the United States, the Ordinance respecting the government of the Territories North-West of river Ohio, the act authorizing the Territory of Indiana to form a Constitution and state government, the Constitu-

tion of this state, and the statutes thereof; which was read the first time, and ordered to be read the second time on Saturday next.

MR. Beggs, from the committee appointed to take into consideration the expediency of providing by law, for taking the sense of the people of this state, on that part of the constitution which fixes the seat of government at Corydon for nine years, reported a joint resolution on that subject; which was read the first time, and ordered to be read the second time on MONDAY next.

The engrossed bill from the senate, entitled "an act subjecting real and personal estate to execution," was read the second time. and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for MONDAY next.

The joint resolution respecting the state bank was taken up and read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Daniel was indefinitely postponed.

The engrossed bill from the senate entitled, an act to provide for the partition of real estate, was taken up and read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Wednesday next.

A message from the senate by MR. Conner.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill relative foreign attachments and to regulate the proceedings thereon, to which they desire the concurrence of this house, and then he withdrew—

And the said bill was then taken up and read the 1st time and ordered to be read a second time on the 30th inst.

The engrossed bill from the senate entitled "an act regulating general elections was taken up and read the first ume and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke.

MR. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house that the senate have passed the bill from this house entitled, an act to authorize the executors of John Johnson deceased to sell and convey the interest of the minor heirs of said decedent, in certain real property belonging to the Vincennes Steam mill company, with some amendments to which they desire the concurrence of this house—the

senate have also passed the bill from this house entitled, an act providing a mode of collecting debts in certain cases, without amendment.

The house proceeded to consider the amendments made by the senate to the bill authorising the executors of John Johnson, deceased, to sell and convey the interest of the minor heirs of said decedent in certain real property belonging to the Vincennes steam mill company, and on motion the house concurred in the same.

Ordered, that Mr. Dunn inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Paul.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house entitled, an act relinquishing the shares reserved by the state in the Farmer's and Mechanic's Bank of Indiana, without amendment.

A mssage from the senate by Mr. Beggs.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house for the relief of sheriffs, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The engrossed bill from the senate entitled, an act to authorise aliens and foreigners to hold real estate in the state of Indiana, was taken up and read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Thursday next.

The bill for the relief of occupying claimants to land was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That it be entitled "an act."

Ordered, That Mr. Ferguson inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto.

And then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The house, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill from the senate entitled, an act regulating marriages, Mr. Little in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Little reported that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made several amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerks table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house. On motion, the said bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Buntin inform the senate thereof and desire their concurrence to the amendments made to said bill by this house.

The house, according to order, resolved into a committee of the whole, on the bill to perpetuate testimony, *Mr.* Carr in the chair, and after some time spent therein, *Mr.* Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Carr reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made no amendments to said bill and had directed him to report the same without amendment.

On motion,

The said bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act."

Ordered, That Mr. Hill inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto.

The house resolved into a committee of the whole, on the bill from the senate entitled, "an act for carrying the laws into effect in all new counties," *Mr.* Ferguson in the chair, and after some time spent therein *Mr.* Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Ferguson reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made an amendment to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendment he handed in at the clerk's table; where it was again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That said bill be read a third time on *Monday* next.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning 8 o'clock.

SATURDAY, Dec. 27th.

The Speaker, Clerk, and ten members met pursuant to adjournment, and a quorum not having assembled, on motion the house was adjourned until ten o'clock, A. *M.*

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker laid before the house a supplemental report of Daniel C Lane, treasurer of state, explaining and correcting a mistake in the calculation of his annual report as treasurer of state, heretofore made to this general assembly; which supplemental report was read and referred to the committee of ways and means.

On motion of mr. Cotton, messrs Ferguson and Sullivan were added to the committee who were appointed to take into consideration the expediency of providing by law for the election of a governor in case of a vacancy which may at any time happen in consequence of the death, removal, or resignation of any governor of this state.

Mr. Graham, from the committee to whom was refered the petition of John Berry, reported a bill to authorise the estate of Thomas Berry, deceased, to be laid out in lands for the benefit of the heirs of said Thomas Berry, which was read and ordered to be read a second time on *Monday* next.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee to whom was refered the bill to authorize William Wright to erect a toll bridge over silver-creek, reported said bill without amendment; and on motion said bill was committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Wednesday next.

Mr. Cotton presented the petition of the trustees of the seminary of Vevay, which was read and committed to a select committee of Messrs. Cotton, Hunt, Dunn, Bryson, and Snowden, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate have passed the bill from this house, defining and regulating privileges, with some amendments thereto, to which they desire the concurrence of this house, and then he withdrew; whereupon the said amendments were taken up and read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Daniel inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Stevens presented the petition of the House-wrights of Brookville, which was read and committed to a select committee of Messrs. Stevens, Bryson, Snowden, Hill and Scott, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Little gave notice that he would, on *Monday* next, move for leave to bring in a bill for the relief of the sheriff of Washington county.

The bill regulating the admission of attornies and counsellors at law, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Tuesday next.

The joint resolution, providing for printing the constitution and laws of this state, was read the second time,

and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Monday next.

The engrossed bill, against forcible entry and detainer, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act against forcible entry and detainer."

Ordered, That Mr. Conner inform the senate thereof and desire their concurrence thereto.

The engrossed bill from the senate entitled, "an act to restrain unincorporated banking associations was taken up and read the second time, when Mr. Stevens moved, that the further consideration of said bill be indefinitely postponed; and on that question it was decided in the negative: and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Stevens and Daniel, the votes were as follows.

YEAS,	NAYS,
Messrs. Bryson,	Messrs. Boon,
Buntin,	Carr,
Chambers,	Campbell,
Conner,	Cotton,
Graham,	Dunn,
Milroy,	Daniel,
Snowden,	Hill,
Stevens,	Holman,
Sullivan,	Hunt,
Zenor,	Little,
&	Littell,
Lane, Speaker,—11.	M'Clure,
	Scott, &
	Slaughter.—14.

On motion,

Ordered, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Wednesday next:

And then the house adjourned until Monday morning, ten o'clock.

MONDAY, Dec. 29.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Powell, a member from Dearborn county came in, produced his credentials, was sworn in the usual form, and took his seat.

On motion of Mr. Boon,

Ordered, That Mr. Powell's certificate of election and

credentials be refered to the committee of elections.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee to whom was refered the petition of the House-wrights of Brookville, made the following report:

Mr. Speaker—The committee to whom was refered the petition of sundry of the inhabitants of the town of Brookville, praying for certain relief in certain cases, &c. beg leave to report, that they have had the same under their consideration, and that they are of opinion, that the subject ought not to be legislated upon; because they believe that the right to contract, together with the laws of the land, are sufficient guarantees against the evils complained of by the petitions.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that the senate have passed a bill concerning apprentices, to which they desire the concurrence of this house: and that they have concurred in the amendments made by this house to the bill from the senate, entitled, "an act regulating marriages," except the amendments made to the second section of the bill, the amendments made to the third section, and the amendment made to the bill by the addition of the tenth section; and then he withdrew:

And the house proceeded to consider their amendments to said bill, which were disagreed to by the senate; and on motion the house adhered to their amendments made to the second section of said bill:

And on motion the house receded from their amendment made to the third section thereof—

A motion was then made that the house recede from their amendment made to said bill by adding a tenth section thereto; which motion was decided in the negative, and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Conner and Boon, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,	
Messrs. Carr,	Messrs. Boon,	Little,
Campbell,	Buntin,	Littell,
Dunn,	Chambers,	M'Clure,
Hill,	Cotton,	Milroy,
Holman,	Conner,	Snowden,
Hunt,	Daniel,	Slaughter, &
Powell,	Graham,	Zenor—14.
Scott,		
Stevens, &		
Lane, Speaker,—10.		

Ordered, That *Mr.* Boon inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Sullivan presented the petition of the members of the Indiana church; which was read and refered to a select committee of Messr. Sullivan, M'Clure, Huntin, Powell and Chambers, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee on the subject of opening a road from Brookville to Fort Harrison, reported a joint resolution on that subject; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Mr Sullivan, from the committee of elections, reported, that the said committee had had the certificate and credentials of Erasmus Powell under consideration, and are of opinion that he is duly elected and entitled to his seat in this house.

On motion.

The house concurred in said report.

The bill from the senate, entitled, "an act concerning apprentices," was taken up and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Holman, from the committee to whom was refered that part of the Governor's message, relative to summoning and empannelling juries, reported a bill on that subject; which was read and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The bill for the benefit of the heirs of Thomas Berry, deceased, was taken up and read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house on Tuesday next.

The house according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill providing for the three per cent. of the nett proceeds of certain lands in this state, Mr. Conner in the chair, and after some time spent therein, *Mr.* Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Conner reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through they desire leave to sit again; whereupon leave was given—and then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill to prohibit persons from disposing of arms, ammunition and war-like implements to Indians, Mr. Little in the chair, and after some time

spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Little reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris.

Mr. Speaker—

I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that they insist on their objection to the amendments made by this house to the bill from the senate entitled, "an act to regulate marriages," in the second and tenth sections of said bill—and then he withdrew: and on motion Messrs. Dunn and Boon were appointed a committee of conference on the part of this house on the disagreement of the two houses on the amendments made to said bill by the house of representatives.

Ordered, That Mr. Graham inform the senate thereof, and request a similar committee to be appointed on their part

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill directing the mode of proceeding on impeachment. Mr. Daniel in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Daniel reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill for rendering authentic as evidence in the courts of justice in this state, the records and proceedings of the courts of other states, Mr. Snowden in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Snowden reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made no amendment to the same, and had directed him to report the same without amend-

ment : whereupon, on motion, the said bill was considered as engrossed, and was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act."

Ordered, That Mr. Hunt inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill concerning firing of woods, prairies and other lands, Mr. Boon in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Boon reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house ; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time on to-morrow.

The engrossed bill, concerning debtors and their securities, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act concerning debtors and their securities."

Ordered, That Mr. Daniel inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill to authorise a loan, Mr. Carr in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Carr reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again : whereupon leave was given.

The engrossed bill from the senate, entitled "an act for carrying the laws into effect in new counties," was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Powell inform the senate thereof.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

TUESDAY, Dec. 30.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cotton presented the petition of Paxton W. Todd, also, the petition of sundry inhabitants of Vevay, praying

an act to authorize the erection of a toll bridge over Indian creek ; which was read and refered to a select committee of Messrs. Cotton, Powell, Bryson, Hunt and Scott, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee, to whom was refered the petition of David French and others, made the following report :

Mr. Speaker—Your committee, to whom was refered the petition of David French and others, of Sullivan county, praying for the formation of two new counties, out of Sullivan county, and in opposition to the petition of Baily Johnson and others, of said county, have had the same under mature consideration.

Your committee cannot but regret, that from the manner the petition presents itself, all the petitioners names being in one hand writing, and when too ; many of the names of petitioners on the said petition, also, are to be found in their own hand writing on the petition of Baily Johnson and others ; that the petition cannot, and indeed, ought not to receive that credit and attention it otherwire might, indeed, would have received, had it presented itself differently. And whereas also, it has been certified by two respectable citizens of said county, that they are acquainted with many of the petitioners names to the said petition of Baily Johnson and others, and that they are knowing to many of the petitioners signing said petition.

Your committee are in duty bound, notwithstanding the said petition of David French and others, appearing in one man's hand writing, has been accounted for by a letter to one of your committtee, from *Mr.* John F. Thompson of Sullivan county ; yet, your committee cannot give the petition that faith and credit, they otherwise would have wished, or in other language, it would have been entitled to—particularly as a precedent has been set your committee by the legislature of the late Indiana Territory, upon a petition from Gibson county, which was presented in the same manner.

Your committee therefore, from the precedent given them upon a similar petition, must report to this house, as their opinion, the petition ought not to be attended to.

On motion,

The house concurred in said report.

Mr. Dunn presented the petition of George Holmes and

others, praying an act to vacate the town of Vienna, in the county of Jefferson; which was read, and committed to a select committee of Messrs. Dunn, Hunt, Hill, Powell and Snowden, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee of Ways and Means, to whom was refered the communication and account of Messrs. Berry and Wood, made the following report:

Mr. Speaker—Your committee of Ways and Means, to whom was refered the account of Messrs. Berry & Wood, against the General Assembly of the state of Indiana, for folding and stitching 300 copies of the journal and constitution, find that there was allowed Maun Butler $ 200 for printing and stitching the constitution and journal of the late convention, by the last General Assembly.

Your committee therefore, are of the opinion, that the account has once been paid, and ought not to be paid again.

On motion, the house concurred in said report.

Mr. Little, agreeably to notice and leave given, introduced a bill for the relief of Noah Wright, sheriff of Washington county; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next.

Mr. Zenor presented the petition of John Smith and others, praying certain relief to be granted them on the subject of a contract, relative to the court-house for the county of Harrison; which was read, and committed to a select committee of Messrs. Zenor, Littell, Carr, Beggs & Sullivan, withleave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Conner, agreeably to notice, introduced a bill legalizing the proceedings of county commissioners; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Buntin presented the petition of John Duly and others, praying that the courts for Sullivan county may be continued to be held at the town of Carlisle; which was read, and refered to the same committee, to whom was refered the petition of Baily Johnson and others.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee of enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act to establish and regulate ferries;"—the enrolled bill, entitled "an act defining and regulating privileges in certain cases;"—the enrolled bill, entitled

"an act relinquishing the shares reserved by the state in the Farmer's and Mechanic's bank of Indiana;"—the enrolled bill, entitled "an act to improve the breed of horses;"—and the enrolled bill, entitled "an act providing a summery mode of collecting debts in certain cases," and found the same truly enrolled: Whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee of enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had this day presented to the Governor for his approval and signature, the enrolled bill, entitled "an act concerning joint rights and obligations;" and the enrolled bill, entitled "an act making a specific appropriation for wolf scalps;" which originated in this house.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill authorising a loan for the benefit of the state, *Mr.* Carr in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Carr reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-day.

A message from the senate by Mr. Conner,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate, to inform this house, that they have passed a bill for the formation of a new county, out of the counties of Franklin and Wayne, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The bill authorising domestic attachments and regulating the proceedings thereon, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Thusday next.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have concurred in the amendments made by this house, to the bill, entitled "an act for carrying the laws into effect in new counties."

A message from the senate by Mr. Depauw,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill for the formation of a new county, out of the north end of Orange

county, to which they desire the concurrence of this house. They have also passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county, out of the counties of Orange and Jackson," with several amendments to the same; to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

A message from the Governor by R. A. New, Secretary of State,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor, to inform this house, that he did on this day approve and sign an enrolled bill, entitled "an act concerning joint rights and obligations," and an enrolled bill, entitled "an act making a specific appropriation for wolf scalps;" which originated in this house.

The bill regulating the mode of summoning and empannelling grand and pettit jurors, was taken up and read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Wednesday next.

The engrossed bill from the senate, entitled "an act concerning apprentices," was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Friday next.

The amendments made by the senate, to the engrossed bill from this house, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Orange and Jackson," were taken up and read, and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Graham inform the senate thereof.

The engrossed bill authorising a loan for the benefit of the state, was taken up and read the third time and passed, and on the question shall this bill pass? The yeas and nays being demanded by *Messrs.* Sullivan and Ferguson, the votes were as follows:

	YEAS,			NAYS,
Messrs.	Beggs,	Graham,	Messrs.	Littell,
	Boon,	Hill,		Slaughter and
	Bryson;	Holman,		Sullivan—3.
	Buntin,	Hunt,		
	Carr,	Little,		
	Campbell,	M'Clure,		
	Chambers,	powell,		
	Colton,	Scott,		
	Conner,	Snowden,		
	Dunn,	Stevens,		
	Daniel,	Zenor and		
	Ferguson,	Lane, (Speaker)—24.		

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act."

Ordered, That Mr. Stevens inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto.

The engrossed bill to prevent persons from disposing of arms, ammunition and warlike implements to Indians, was taken up and read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act to prevent persons from disposing of arms, ammunition and warlike implements to Indians."

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill for the formation of a new county out of the county of Sullivan, Mr. Stevens in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stevens reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

On motion,

Said bill was then considered as engrossed, and was read a third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act for the formation of a new county out of the county of Sullivan.

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan inform the Senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill for the formation of a new county out of the county of Wayne, Mr. Ferguson in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Ferguson reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

On motion,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read the third time on Wednesday next.

And then the house adjourned for one hour.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

The engrossed bill from the senate, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Franklin and Wayne, was taken up and read the first time, and ordered to be read the second time on Saturday the tenth of January next.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill from the senate, entitled "an act for fixing the seats of justice in all new counties," *Mr.* Powell in the chair, and after some time spent therein, *Mr.* Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Powell reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made no amendment to the same, and had directed him to report the same without amendment.

On motion,

The said bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Slaughter inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by MR. Ferris,

MR. Speaker—I am directed by the senate, to inform this house that the senate have appointed MESSRS. Ferris and Pennington a committee of conference on their part, to act with a similar committee appointed on the part of the house of Rep. on the subject of the disagreement between the two houses on the amendments made by the house of representatives, to the bill from the senate entitled "an act to regulate marriages."

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill regulating the emigration of free negroes and mulattoes into this state, MR. Little in the chair, and after some time spent therein, MR. Speaker resumed the chair, and MR. Little reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

A message from the senate by MR. Ferris,

MR. Speaker—The President of the senate has signed the enrolled bill, entitled "an act to establish and regulate ferries;"—the enrolled bill, entitled "an act to im-

prove the breed of horses ;"—the enrolled bill, entitled "an act repealing an act, providing a summery mode of collecting debts in certain cases ;"—the enrolled bill, entitled "an act defining and regulating privileges in certain cases ;"—and the enrolled bill, entitled "an act relinquishing the shares reserved by the charter incorporating the Farmer's and Mechanic's bank of Indiana."

The senate have been informed by a message from his Excellency the Governor, that he has signed the enrolled bill, entitled "an act granting writs of ne exeat and regulating the proceedings thereon."

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill effectually to prevent duelling, Mr. Dunn in the chair, and after some time spent tharein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Dunn reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read, and on motion of Mr. Dunn, the further consideration of said bill was postponed until Saturday next.

The house resolved into a committee of the whole on the bill for the benefit of the heirs of Thomas Berry, deceased, Mr. Beggs in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Beggs reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made no amendment to the same, and directed him to report the same without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill concerning clerks, Mr Snowden in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Snowden reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time to morrow.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 31.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cotton, from the committee to whom was refered the petition of the trustees of the Seminary of Vevay, reported a bill incorporating the county commissioners of the county of Switzerland trustees for the said Seminary of Vevay; which was read the first time, and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported, that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled, "an act for carrying the laws into effect in new counties;" and the enrolled bill entitled, "an act to authorise the executors of John Johnson, deceased, to sell and convey the interest of the minor heirs of said decedent in certain real property belonging to the Vincennes Steam Mill Company, and had found the same truly enrolled: whereupon Mr. Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Dunn, from the committee to whom was refered the petition of George Holmes and others, praying for an act to vacate the town of Vienna, in the county of Jefferson, reported a bill on that subject; which was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee to whom was refered sundry petitions on the subject of the abolition of slavery, made a report on the subject, which was, on motion, committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Friday next.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee of enrolled bills, reported, that the said committee did on yesterday present to his excellency the Governor, for his approval and signature, the following enrolled bills, entitled acts, to wit: "The act to establish and regulate ferries; the act to improve the breed of horses; the act defining and regulating privileges in certain cases; the act repealing an act providing a summery mode of collecting debts in certain cases; the act relinquishing the shares reserved by

the State in the Farmer's and Mechanic's Bank of Indiana."

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills reported, that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for the relief of sheriffs for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventeen," and had found the same truly enrolled; whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That *Mr.* Ferguson inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Dunn, from the committee of conference, on the disagreement of the two houses, on the amendments made by the house of representatives to the bill from the senate entitled, "an act to regulate marriages," reported, that the said committee had, according to order, had the same under consideration, and had agreed that the house of representatives shall recede from their amendments made to said bill.

A motion was then made that the house concur in said report, which motion was decided in the negative.

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan inform the senate that the house of representatives have refused to concur in said report.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house entitled, "an act authorising a loan for the benefit of the state" with some amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

Mr. Buntin presented the petition of Morgan Eaton and others, praying an act authorising a toll bridge to be erected over Busscreau Creek in Sullivan County; which was read and referred to the committee to whom was refered the petition of Baily Johnson and others, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house entitled, "an act authorising a loan for the benefit of the state," were taken up and read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That *Mr.* Graham inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Ferguson presented the petition of Tabetha Armstrong and John Morton, administrators of John Armstong dec'd, praying an act to authorise them to sell and convey certain lots of land in the town of Bethlehem,

which belong to the estate of the said Armstrong, deceased, which was read and committed to a select committee of *Messrs.* Ferguson, Carr and Beggs, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The engrossed bill directing the mode of proceeding on impeachments was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act."

Ordered, That Mr. Hunt inform the senate thereof.

The bill for the formation of a new county out of the north end of Wayne county, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act for the formation of a new county out of the north end of Wayne County."

Ordered, That Mr. Scott inform the senate thereof and desire their concurrence thereto.

The engrossed bill regulating the migration of negroes and mulattoes into this state was taken up and read the third time and passed; and on that question, the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Stevens and Conner, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,		NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,	Little,	Messrs. Carr,
Boon,	Littell,	Chambers,
Bryson,	M'Clure,	Cotton,
Buntin,	Milroy,	Dunn,
Campbell,	Snowden,	Hill,
Conner,	Slaughter,	Holman,
Daniel	Sullivan &	Hunt,
Ferguson,	Zenor—17	Powell,
Graham,		Scott,
		Stevens,
		& Lane. Sp. 11.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act regulating the migration of negroes and mulatoes into this state."

Ordered, That Mr. *Mr.* Beggs inform the senate thereof and desire their concurrence thereto.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that they have concurred in the report of the committee of conference, on the disagreement between the two houses, on the amendments made by the house of representatives, to the bill from the senate entitled, "an act to regulate marriages": and then he withdrew.

The Bill concerning firing of woods, prairies and other lands, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act to prevent firing woods, prairies and other lands.

Ordered, That Mr. Milroy inform the senate thereof and desire their concurrence thereto.

The bill for the benefit of the heirs of Thomas Berry, deceased, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act."

Ordered, That Mr. Graham inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto.

And then the house adjourned for one hour.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill concerning clerks was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Ferguson inform the senate thereof.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill from the senate, entitled, "an act regulating general elections," Mr. Daniel in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Daniel reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made no amendment to the same, and had directed him to report the same without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Boon,

The bill was then amended by adding immediately after the word *diet*, these words: "*With a view to obtain any vote or votes for himself or any favorite candidate.*

On motion,

Ordered, That said bill be read a third time to-morrow.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the engrossed bill from the senate, entitled, "an act subjecting real and personal estate to execution," Mr. Boon in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Boon reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made no amendment to the same and had directed him report the same without amendment.

On motion,

Ordered, That said bill be read the third time on Friday next.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have indefinitely postponed the bill from this house entitled, "an act for the benefit of the heirs of Thomas Berry deceased, and then he withdrew.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill concerning attornies and counsellors at law, and after some time spent therein, *Mr.* Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hunt reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

On motion,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Thursday next.

And the house adjourned until to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

THURSDAY, Jan. 1st. 1818.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee to whom was refered the petition of Tabetha Armstrong and Henry Morton, reported a bill to authorise the executors of John Armstrong deceased, to sell and convey certain landed property belonging to the estate of said Armstrong, deceased, which was read and ordered to be read the second time on Saturday next.

A message from the Governor by R. A. New.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor, to inform this house, that he did on yesterday approve and sign the following enrolled bills, entitled acts, to wit: "An act to establish and regulate ferries—"An act defining and regulating privileges in certain cases"—"An act relinquishing the shares reserved to the state in the charter incorporating the Farmer's and Mechanic's Bank of Indiana"—"An act repealing an act providing a

summery mode of collecting debts in certain cases"—and "An act to improve the breed of horses."

The bill to vacate the town of Vienna, in the county of Jefferson, was taken up and read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time on Friday next.

The joint resolution providing for taking the sense of the people of this state, on that part of the constitution which fixes the seat of government at Corydon for nine years, was taken up and read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house and made the order of the day for Thursday the eighth instant.

The bill regulating the fees of the several officers and persons therein named, was taken up and read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Tuesday next.

The engrossed bill from the senate for the formation of a new county out of the north end of Orange county, was taken up and read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on Saturday next.

The joint resolution on the subject of a public road from Brookville to Fort Harrison was taken up and read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Friday next.

The engrossed bill from the senate entitled, "an act regulating general elections," was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Daniel inform the senate thereof,

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill entitled, "an act to prevent gaming, to which they desire the concurrence of this house, and then he withdrew.

The bill legalizing the proceedings of the county commissioners in certain cases was taken up and read the second time and ordered to be engrossed and read the third time on Saturday next.

The bill for the relief of Noah Wright, sheriff of Washington county, was taken up and read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Monday next.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill concerning inclosures, *Mr.* Bryson in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed

the chair, and *Mr.* Bryson reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had gone through the same, and directed him to report the said bill without amendment.

The said bill was then amended, on motion of Mr. Stevens, by adding the following words at the end of said bill, "all acts and parts of acts heretofore in force coming within the purview of this act shall be and the same are hereby repealed, and this act shall be in force from and after its publication."

On motion,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Tuesday next.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill to establish and regulate ware-houses, Mr. Slaughter in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Slaughter reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had gone through the same, and had directed him to report the same without amendment.

On motion,

Ordered, That said bill be considered as engrossed and that it be read the third time on Friday next.

The bill to authorise William Wright to build a toll bridge over Silver-creek, was taken up, and, on motion, the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on said bill, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hill reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again: whereupon leave was given.

A message from the senate by *Mr.* Polke.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house entitled, "an act declaring what laws shall be in force with some amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this house, and then he withdrew.

And the house adjourned for two hours,

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, re-

ported, that the said committe had examined the enrolled bill, entitled, "an act for fixing the seats of justice in all new counties hereafter to be laid off," and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That *Mr.* Stevens inform the senate thereof.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill from the senate, entitled, "an act for the partition of real estate, Mr. Milroy in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr Milroy reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had gone through the same, and directed him to report said bill without amendment.

Ordered, That said bill be read a third time to-morrow.

The amendments made by the senate, to the bill from this house, entitled "an act declaring what laws shall be in force," was taken up and read, and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Graham inform the senate thereof.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill from the senate, entitled "an act for the assignment of dower, and prescribing the mode of proceeding therein," Mr. Boon in the chair, and after some time spent therein, *Mr.* Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Boon reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had gone through the same, and directed him to report the same without amendment.

On motion,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill prescribing the mode of summoning and empannelling grand and petit jurors, Mr. Hill in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hill reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration and had made some progress therein; but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again: whereupon leave was given.

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate, to inform this house, that the senate have concurred in the amendments made by this house to the bill from the senate, entitled "an act regulating general elections."

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate, to inform this house, that they have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act to perpetuate testimony," without any amendment.—They have also passed a bill to authorise the sale of a certain tract of land belonging to the heirs of Elijah Sparks dec'd; and a bill to vacate the town of Edinborough; to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill to prevent persons from bringing horses, cattle and hogs into this state and turning them into the range, Mr. Stevens in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stevens reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had gone through the same, and had made no amendment to said bill, and had directed him to report the same without amendment.

Mr. Little then moved, that said bill be indefinitely postponed; which motion was decided in the negative.

On motion,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read the third time on Tuesday next.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill concerning vagrants, Mr. Ferguson in the chair, and after some time spent therein, *Mr.* Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Ferguson reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house: which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Tuesday next.

A message from the senate by Mr. Montgomery,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate, to inform this house, that the senate have passed the bill from this

house, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Warrick and Perry, with some amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this house; and then he withdrew. And the said amendments were taken up and read, and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Boon inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris,

Mr. Speaker—The President of the senate has signed the enrolled bill, entitled "an act authorising the executors of John Johnson dec'd, to sell and convey the interest of the minor heirs of said deceadent in certain real property belonging to the Vincennes Steam-Mill Company." The enrolled bill, entitled "an act for carrying the laws into effect in new counties."—The enrolled bill, entitled "an act for the relief of sheriffs for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventeen;"—and the enrolled bill, entitled "an act for fixing the seats of justice in all new counties hereafter to be laid off."

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill regulating divorces, Mr. Daniel in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Daniel reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same; to which they desire the concurrence of the house: which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

On motion,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Wednesday next.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

FRIDAY, Jan. 2.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill to prevent certain immoral practices, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

Mr. Cotton, from the committee, to whom was refered the petition of Paxton W. Todd, praying an act to authorise him to erect a toll bridge over Indian creek, reported

a bill for that purpose ; which was read and ordered to be read a second time on Saturday next.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee, to whom was refered the petition of the members of the Indiana church, reported a bill concerning said church ; which was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act authorising a loan for the benefit of the state;" and an enrolled bill, entitled "an act directing what laws shall be in force, and found the same truly enrolled : wherenpon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Little, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill regulating the jurisdiction and duties of justices of the peace , which was read the first time, and on motion, the rules of the house were dispensed with, and the said bill was then read the second time, and on motion, committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Saturday next.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said commitee, did on this day, present to his Excellency the Governor, for his approval and signature, the following enrolled bills, entitled acts, to wit :— The act authorising the executors of John Johnson dec'd to sell and convey certain real property belonging to the estate of said deceased.

The act for the relief of sheriffs for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventeen.

The act for fixing the seats of justice in all new counties hereafter to be laid of.

The act authorising a loan for the benefit of the state.

The act declaring what laws shall be in force.

And an act to provide for carrying the laws into effect in new counties.

A message from the senate by *Mr.* Montgomery,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill from this house, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Warrick, Gibson and Posey, and for the revoval of the seat of justice of Warrick county, and for other purposes, and have made several amendments to the same ; to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs,

Mr. Speaker— The President of the senate has signed the enrolled, entitled bill 'an act declaring what laws shall be in force;" and the enrolled bill, entitled "an act authorising a loan for the benefit of the state."

Mr. Milroy, from the committee, to whom was refered that part of the Governor's message relative to the militia, reported a bill on that subject; which was read the first time, and on motion, the same was read a second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Wednesday next.

A message from the Governor by Mr. New, Secretary of State:

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor, to inform this house, that he did, on this day, approve and sign the following acts, to wit: "An act for the relief of sheriffs for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventeen;"—"an act authorising a loan for the benefit of the state;"—"An act authorising the executors of John Johnson dec'd, to sell and convey certain real property belonging to the estate of said deceased:"—and "an act declaring what laws shall be in force;" which acts originated in this house.

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill from this house, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county out of the county of Sullivan," and have made several amendments to said bill, to which they desire the concurrence of this house; and he withdrew.

And the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill from his house, entitled "an act for the formation of a new ounty out of the counties of Warrick, Gibson and Posey, vere taken up and read, and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Boon inform the senate thereof.

The bill from the senate, entitled "an act to authorise he sale of a certain tract of land belonging the heirs of Ejah Sparks deceased, was taken up and read the firts me, and on motion, the rules of the house were dispensed ith, and the same was then read the second time and

committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Monday next.

The bill from the senate, entitled "an act to prevent immoral practices, was taken up and read the first time, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Boon, having obtained leave, laid before the house the petition of Hugh M'Gary, on the subject of the seat of justice of Warrick county; which was read and referred to a select committee of Messrs. Boon, Conner, Campbell, Littell and Zenor, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The bill from the senate, entitled "an act to vacate the town of Edenborough, was taken up and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The bill from the senate, entitled "an act to prevent gaming," was taken up and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill concerning attornies and counsellors at law, was taken up and read the third time, and the further consideration of said bill was postponed until to-morrow.

The bill from the senate, entitled "an act subjecting real and personal estate to execution," was taken up and read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Stevens inform the senate thereof.

The bill from the senate, entitled "an act to provide for the partition of real estate," was taken up and read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Hunt inform the senate thereof.

The bill from the senate, entitled "an act for the assignment of dower," was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Beggs inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act organizing the supreme court and regulating the practice therein, revised and amended," and have made several amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house; and he then withdred. And the house proceeded to consider said amendments, and on motion, the house concurred in the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Ferguson inform the senate thereof.

The bill to vacate the town of Vienna, was taken up and read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act to vacate the town of Vienna."

Ordered, That Mr. Boon inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

The amendments made by the senate, to the bill from this house, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county out of the county of Sullivan," was taken up read, and considered, and on motion of Mr. Sullivan, the further consideration of said amendments was postponed until to-morrow.

The house, according to the order of the day, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill to prevent frauds and perjuries, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Boon reported that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had gone thro' the same, and had made no amendment thereto, and had directed him to report the same without amendment.

On motion,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed for a third reading on Monday next.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill concerning proceedings in ejectment, distress for rent and tenants at will holding over, Mr. Conner in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Conner reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made an amendment thereto, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendment he handed in at the clerk's table, where it was again read and concurred in by the house.

On motion,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Monday next.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill defining and regulating the duties of recorder and for other purposes, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Milroy reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at

the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Monday next.

Mr. Boon gave notice, that he would on to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill authorising an election for two associate judges, and two county commissioners for the county of Warrick.

Mr. Milroy obtained leave of absence until Tuesday next. And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

SATURDAY, Jan. 3.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cotton, from the committee appointed for that purpose, reported a bill to prevent waste on land reserved for the use of schools and salt springs; which was read, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Mr. Ferguson laid before the house, a claim against the state in favor of James Scott for furnishing the supreme court with a seal. Mr. Ferguson also presented the claim of Lemuel Ford, against the state, for certain expenses and services by him rendered, in carrying a piece of artillery from Shipingsport to Charlestown; which several claims were read, and refered to the committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act regulating general elections;" also the enrelled bill, entitled "an act for the assignment of dower and regulating the mode of proceeding therein," and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Beggs inform the senate thereof.

The house resumed the consideration of the amendments made by the senate, to the bill from this house, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county out of the county of Sullivan," and on the question, will the house concur in the amendment made by the senate to the first section of said bill, by striking out the words "*eleven and fourteen*," and inserting in lieu thereof, these words, "*twenty-three and twenty-six*;" which amendment changes the boundary of said county, the yeas and nays being

demanded by Messrs. Daniel and Ferguson, it was decided in the negative; and the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	*NAYS*,
Messrs Beggs,	Messrs. Boon,
Campbell,	Bryson,
Cotton,	Buntin,
Conner,	Carr,
Daniel,	Graham,
Dunn,	Holman,
Ferguson,	Hunt,
Hill,	Littell,
Little,	M'Clure,
Milroy,	Powell,
Snowden and	Scott,
Slaughter—12.	Sullivan,
	Stevens,
	Zenor and
	Lane, (Speaker)—15.

The house then proceeded to consider the amendments made by the senate to the third section of said bill, by striking out the names of Stephen C. Stevens and Charles Scott, and inserting in lieu thereof, John Allen and Thomas M'Clure, commissioners to fix the seat of justice of said county; and on the question, Will the house concur in said amendments, it was decided in the negative.

On motion,

The house concurred in all the other amendments made to said bill by the senate:

Ordered, That *Mr.* Sullivan inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by *Mr.* Polke.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house that the senate insist on their amendments to the bill from this house for the formation of a new county out of the county of Sullivan, and then he withdrew.

The house, according to the order of the day, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill regulating arbitrations, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Buntin reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third on Tuesday next.

On motion,

Messrs. Sullivan and Powell were appointed a committee of conference on the part of this house, to act with a similar committee on the part of the senate, on the disagreement of the two houses on the amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house entitled, "an act for the formation of a new county out of the county of Sullivan.

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan inform the senate thereof, and desire a similar committee on their part.

A message was received from the Governor in writing transmitting sundry communications and documents from the Governor of the state of Ohio on the subject of the obstructions in the Ohio river; which were read and committed to a select committee of Messrs. Stevens, Ferguson and Dunn, with leave to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

The bill legalizing the proceedings of the boards of county commissioners, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act legalizing the proceedings of boards of county commissioners in certain cases.

Ordered, That Mr. Conner inform the senate thereof and desire their concurrence therein.

And then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill from the senate, entitled, "an act concerning apprentices," *Mr.* Ferguson in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Ferguson reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made an amendment to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendment he handed in at the clerk's table, where the same was again read and concurred in by the house: on motion the said bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Graham inform the senate thereof.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the

whole on the bill regulating the inspection of flour, beef and pork, Mr. Sullivan in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Sullivan reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration and had made several amendments to the same, to which they request the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

On motion,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed for a third reading on Monday next.

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have appointed Messrs. Polke and Ferris a committee of conference, to act with a similar committee on the part of this house, on the disagreement of the two houses, on the amendments made by the senate, to the bill, from the house of representatives, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county out of the county of Sullivan."

A message from the senate by Mr. Baird.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that the senate have concurred in the amendments made by this house to the bill from the senate, entitled, "an act concerning apprentices."

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill regulating the duties and jurisdiction of justices of the peace, Mr. Daniel in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Daniel reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again.

Whereupon leave was given for the committee of the whole to sit again on said bill.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill from this house, entitled, "an act to attach a part of the county of Harrison to the county of Perry, and to remove the seat of justice of Perry," and have made several amendments to said bill, to which they desire the concurrence of this house, and then he withdrew.

A message from the senate by Mr. Baird.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that the senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled, "an act for the formation of a new county out of the north end of Wayne county," and have made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house, and then he withdrew.

And then the house adjourned until Monday morning, half after nine o'clock.

MONDAY, JAN. 5.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Daniel,

The committee, who were appointed to inquire and take into consideration the unfinished business of the last general assembly, were discharged from a further consideration of the same.

Mr. Powell moved, that the house come to the following resolution:

Resolved, That this house do now proceed to consider the report of the select committee appointed by the house of representatives at their last session, to whom was refered the petition of John James and others, praying for a new county to be formed out of the county of Dearborn; which report was laid over to the first Monday in December, 1817, as unfinished business—which motion was rejected.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee of Ways and Means to whom was refered the claim of Lemuel Ford, reported, that the said committee are of opinion that the same ought not to be allowed, and that the claimant have leave to withdraw his claim, in which report the house concurred.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills reported, that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled, "an act for the partition of real estate," and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Bryson inform the senate thereof.

The house proceeded to consider the amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house, entitled, "an act to attach a part of the county of Harrison to the county of Perry; and on motion the house concurred in the same:

Ordered, That Mr. Conner inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by MR. Baird.

MR. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill regulating prisons and prison bounds; to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The house proceeded to consider the amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house, entitled, "an act for the formation of a new county out of the north end of Wayne county;" and thereupon the said amendments were taken up and severally read, and, on motion, the house concurred in the same generally.

Ordered, That Mr. Holman inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Montgomery.

MR. Speaker—The senate have passed a joint resolution for the immediate publication of the local acts of the present General Assembly, in the Indiana Gazette; to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs.

MR. Speaker—I am directed to inform the house of representatives, that the Governor has communicated to the senate that he did on the 19th December, 1817, approve and sign 1st. A joint resolution of the General Assembly, relative to proposed alterations in the constitution of the United States.

2. An act respecting non-resident attornies and counsellors at law.

That on the 30th December, 1817, he did approve and sign an act for granting writs of ne exeat, and regulating proceedings thereon.

That on the 2nd January, 1818, he did approve and sign an act for carrying the laws into effect in all new counties, and an act for fixing the seats of justice in all new counties hereafter to be laid off---all of which originated in the senate.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill regulating the duties and jurisdiction of justices of the peace, MR. Daniel in the chair, and after some time spent therein MR. Speaker resumed the chair, and MR. Daniel reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again; whereupon leave was given.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill to prevent frauds and perjuries, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act to prevent frauds and perjuries."

Ordered, That MR. Ferguson inform the senate thereof, and request their concurrence therein.

The joint resolution from the senate for the immediate publication of the local acts of the present General Assembly was taken up and read the first time, and on motion the rules were dispensed with, and the same was read the second time, and, on motion, the said resolution was amended by adding the letter *s* to the word *printer*. And, on motion, the rules of the house were dispensed with, and the said resolution was then read the third time and passed:

Ordered, That MR. Boon inform the senate thereof, and request their concurrence to the amendment made to said resolution by this house.

A message from the senate by MR. Montgomery.

MR. Speaker—The senate have concurred in the amendment made by this house to the joint resolution from the senate for the immediate publication of the local acts of the present General Assembly, in the Indiana Gazette.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill for the relief of insolvent debtors, MR. Graham in the chair, and after some time spent therein, MR. Speaker resumed the chair, and MR. Graham reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed for a third reading to-morrow.

The Bill to vacate the town of Edenborough was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That MR. Powell inform the senate thereof.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill from the senate entitled, "an act authorising domestic attachments, and [illegible] inform the senate thereof. MR. Beggs in the

sumed the chair, and *Mr.* Beggs reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Wednesday next.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill to authorise Paxton W. Todd, to build a toll bridge over Indian creek, *Mr.* Carr in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Carr reported said bill without amendment, and on motion, ordered that said bill be considered as engrossed and read a third time on Wednesday next.

The bill to prevent waste on lands reserved for the use of schools, and salt springs, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house on Thursday next.

The bill to authorise Tabitha Armstrong and Henry Morton, adms. of John Armstrong, dec. to sell and convey certain lots of land in the town of Bethlehem, was read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house on Thursday next.

The bill from the senate entitled "an act regulating prisons and prison bounds," was taken up and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill regulating, inclosing and cultivating common fields, Mr. Sullivan in the chair, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Sullivan reported, that, the committee of the whole, had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had gone through the same, and had made no amendment to said bill, & directed him to report the same without amendment.

On motion, orderded that said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Friday next.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

TUESDAY, January 6.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr Ferguson, from the committee of enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill entitled "an act subjecting real and personal estate to execution"—the enrolled bill entitled "an act respecting apprentices"—the enrolled bill entitled "an act to vacate the town of Edenborough"—and a joint resolution for the immediate publication of the local acts in the Indiana Gazette; and found the same truly enrolled, whereupon the Speaker signed the same—

Ordered, That Mr. Ferguson inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Boon, from the committee to whom was refered the petition of Hugh M'Gary, reported a bill for the relief of said M'Gary, which was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on to-morrow.

Mr. Dunn presented the petition of John Vawter and others, praying that a part of the three per cent fund may be appropriated in opening a road from Madison to Vernon, and from Vernon to Brookville and Brownstown; which was read & refered to a select committee of messrs. Dunn, Hunt, Cotton, Stevens and Snowden, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The bill to revive the act incorporating the Indiana church, was read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house on Thursday next.

A message from the senate by Mr. Montgomery,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have rejected the bill from this house, entitled "an act for the relief of Thomas E. Castleberry."—They have passed a bill, entitled "an act for the appointment of constables, and defining their duties;" to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The house again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill regulating the duties and jurisdiction of justices of the peace, Mr. Graham in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Graham reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made several amendments to the same; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house, ex-

cept the one made to the seventh section; and the one made by adding a 38th section to said bill; the amendent to the seventh section of said bill, was made by adding to the end of said section, these words, "*Provided also*, that nothing in this section shall ever be construed so as to prevent any justice of the peace to send any civil process out of the limits of his own township, executions, attachments and subpœnas excepted." And on the question, will the house concur in said amendment? It was decided in the negative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Buntin and M'Clure, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,	Messrs. Buntin,
Boon,	Campbell,
Bryson,	Cotton,
Carr,	Chambers,
Conner,	Daniel,
Dunn,	Graham,
Ferguson,	Hill,
Lusk,	Holman,
Powell,	Hunt,
Snowden,	M'Clure,
Stevens and	Scott,
Lane, [Speaker.]—12	Sullivan and
	Zenor,—13.

The amendment made by adding a 38th section to said bill is in these words,

"Sec. 38. No attorney or counsellor at law shall be permitted, by any justice of the peace in this state, to appear before him on the trial of any cause, as an attorney or counsellor at law, unless such attorney or counsellor at law shall (in addition to the license which now are, or hereafter may be required of such attorney or counsellor at law) pay to the treasurer of the county in which such justice of the peace shall reside, annually the sum of fifty dollars for the use of the said county, and get said treasurer's receipt for the same, and produce said receipt to such justice of the peace: *Provided however*, that nothing herein contained, shall be so construed as to prevent any counsellor or attorney at law from appearing before any justice, in any criminal case or on a charge for a misdemeaner, or in any cases of forcible entry & detainer." And on the question, will the house concur in said amendment? It was decided in the negative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Sullivan and M'Clure, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,	Messrs. Cotton,
Boon,	Conner,
Bryson,	Dunn,
Buntin,	Daniel,
Carr,	Ferguson,
Campbell,	Graham,
Chambers,	Hunt,
Hill,	Little,
Holman,	M'Clure,
Scott,	Powell,
Snowden and	Slaughter,
Stevens,—12.	Sullivan,
	Zenor and
	Lane, (Speaker)—14.

Mr. Graham then moved to amend said bill by striking out the second section thereof; which section gives jurisdiction to justices of the peace, to try, hear and determine all cases of riots, routs, unlawful assemblies and breakers of the peace in a summery way; and on the question, shall the said section be stricken out? It was decided in the negative, and the yeas and nays being demanded by messrs. Graham and Daniel, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,	Messrs. Boon,
Buntin,	Bryson,
Chambers,	Carr,
Conner,	Campbell,
Daniel,	Cotton,
Graham,	Dunn,
Hunt	Ferguson,
and	Hill,
Sullivan.—8.	Holman,
	Little,
	M'Clure,
	Powell,
	Scott,
	Slaughter,
	Snowden,
	Stevens and
	Lane, (Speaker.)—17.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed for a third reading on Friday next.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill from this house, entitled "an act rendering authentic, evidence in courts of this state and courts of the United State," with

some amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this house; and then he withdrew.

And the house adjourned for one hour.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

The amendments made by the senate, to the bill from this house, entitled "an act rendering authentic, evidence in the courts of this state and of the United States," were taken up and read, and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed to inform this house, that the senate have passed a bill from this house, entitled "an act authorising a pilot at the Falls of the Ohio,' with some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house; and then he withdrew.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee of enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county out of the county of Orange;" and the enrolled bill, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Warrick, Gibson and Posey, and for the removal of the seat of justice of Warrick county, and for other purposes," and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Ferguson inform the senate thereof.

The amendments made by the senate, to the enrolled bill from this house, authorising the appointment of a pilot at the Falls of the Ohio, were taken up and read, and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Beggs inform the senate thereof.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the joint resolution providing for the printing of the acts and journals of the present General Assembly, in the most speedy manner, Mr. Boon in the chair, and after some time spent therein, *Mr.* Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Boon reported, the said resolution without amendment.

On motion, ordered that said resolution be engrossed for a third reading on Wednesday next.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill from the senate, entitled "an act relative to foreign attachments, and regulating proceedings thereon, Mr. Holman in the chair, and after

some time spent therein, MR. Speaker resumed the chair, and MR. Coleman reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house: which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, that said bill be read a third time to-morrow.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill from the senate, entitled "an act authorising aliens and foreigners to hold lands in this state," MR. Bryson in the chair, and after some time spent therein, MR. Speaker resumed the chair, and MR. Bryson reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had gone through the same, and had made no amendment thereto, and had directed him to report the same without amendment.

Ordered, that said bill be read a third time to-morrow.

The joint resolution, respecting the Medical Society, was taken up, and on motion, committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

THE bill to disolve the bands of matrimony between Benjamin Duty and Polly Duty, his wife, was taken up, and on motion of MR. Ferguson, the same was indefinitely postponed.

THE house according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill to authorise William Wright to build a toll bridge across Silver creek, MR. Powell in the chair, and after some time spent therein MR. Speaker resumed the chair, and MR. Powell reported that the committee of the whole had according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house, which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, when they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, THAT said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Thursday next.

THE house resolved itself into a committee of the whole house on the bill from the senate entitled an act to restrain unincorporated banking institutions, MR. Dunn in the

chair, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr: Dunn reported, that the committee of the whole had amended said bill by striking it out from the enacting clause; in which amendment they desire the concurrence of the house.

On motion,

The house concurred in said amendment.

On motion of *Mr.* Sullivan,

The further consideration of said bill was indefinitely postponed.

Ordered, That *Mr.* Boon inform the senate thereof.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill from the senate, entitled, "an act authorising the sale of a certain tract of land belonging to the heirs of Elijah Sparks, deceased," and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Sullivan reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had gone through the same, and had made no amendments thereto, and directed him to report the same without amendment.

On motion,

The said bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Boon inform the senate thereof.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill for the formation of Monroe county out of the county of Orange; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stevens reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same. to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

On motion,

The said bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That *Mr.* Chambers inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence to the amendments made to said bill by this house.

On motion,

The further orders of this day were postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. Conner gave notice that he would on to-morrow move for leave to bring in a bill for the relief of certain inhabi-

tants of Perry county—also a bill to authorise the Governor to issue his writs of election in certain cases.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning, ten o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 7.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill dividing the state into a suitable number of Circuits and establishing the times of holding courts therein; and thereupon Messrs. Ferguson, Hunt, Cotton, Powell, Stevens, Holman, Slaughter, Sullivan, Daniel, Boon, Conner, Graham, Little, Chambers and Lynn, were appointed that committee.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have concurred in the amendments made by this house to the bill for the formation of Monroe county out of the county of Orange.

A message from the senate by Mr. Paul.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled, "an act to vacate the town of Vienna," with some amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this house; and then he withdrew.

Mr. Carr presented the petition of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Clark, Harrison, Washington and Orange, praying for the formation of a new county out of the counties aforesaid; which was read and committed to a select committee of Messrs. Carr, Littell, Mitroy, Dunn, and Chambers, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house, entitled, "an act to vacate the town of Vienna," were taken up and read, and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Dunn inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Baird.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill defining and regulating the duties of sheriffs and coroners, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

Mr. Conner, agreeably to notice, introduced a bill for the relief of sundry inhabitants of Perry county: also a bill providing for the election of certain officers in this

state in certain cases; which said bills were severally read and ordered to be read the second time on Friday next.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee to whom was refered the joint resolution on the subject of the obstructions in the Ohio river, together with the documents received from his Excellency the Governor of the state of Ohio, on that subject, reported, that the said committee had, according to order, had said resolution under consideration, and are of the opinion the same needs no amendment.

Whereupon the said resolution is ordered to lie upon the table.

The bill to authorise the agent of Warrick county, to re-convey to Hugh M'Gary a certain tract of land in the town of Evansville, was taken up and read the second time and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

The bill from the senate, entitled, "an act regulating prisons and prison bounds," was taken up and read the second time, and, on motion, the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the said bill, Mr. Little in the chair, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Little reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had gone through the same, and had made no amendments thereto, and directed him to report the same without amendment.

Ordered, That said bill be read a third time to-morrow.

The engrossed bill concerning inclosures, was taken up and read the third time and passed:

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act concerning inclosures:"

Ordered, That Mr. Scott inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

The bill regulating arbitrations, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan inform the senate thereof.

The bill authorising domestic attachments, was taken up and read the third time and passed:

Ordered, That Mr. Cotton inform the senate thereof.

The bill from the senate, entitled, "an act regulating foreign attachments," was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Daniel inform the senate thereof.

The bill, from the senate, entitled, "an act authorising aliens and foreigners to hold lands in this state, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Conner inform the senate thereof.

The bill concerning vagrants, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Stevens inform the senate thereof.

The bill to prevent persons from bringing horses, cattle and hogs and turning them into the range in this state, was taken up and read the third time and passed; and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs, Sullivan and Conner, the votes were as follows:

YEAS.		NAYS.	
Messrs. Beggs,	Hill,	Messrs. Bryson,	
Boon,	Holman,	Cotton,	
Buntin,	Hunt,	Little,	
Carr,	Littell,	and	
Campbell,	Milroy,	Sullivan—4.	
Chambers,	Powell,		
Conner,	Scott,		
Dunn,	Slaughter,		
Daniel,	Snowden,		
Ferguson,	Zenor &		
Graham,	Lane, Speaker—22.		

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act to prevent non-residents from bringing horses, cattle and hogs, and turning them into the range in this state.

Ordered, That Mr. Conner inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

The engrossed bill concerning proceedings in ejectment, distress for rent and tenants at will holding over, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act regulating proceedings in ejectment, and for other purposes."

Ordered, That Mr. Ferguson inform the senate thereof and desire their concurrence therein.

The bill regulating divorces, was taken up and read the third time and passed: and on the question, Shall this bill pass? the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs.

Bryson and Sullivan, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,	Messrs. Bryson,
Boon,	Buntin,
Carr,	Chambers
Campbell,	Conner,
Cotton,	Daniel,
Dunn,	Hunt,
Ferguson,	Hill,
Graham,	Littell,
Holman,	Snowden,
Little,	Scott,
Milroy,	Sullivan,
Powell,	&
Stevens,	Lane, Speaker—12.
Slaughter,	
and	
Zenor—15.	

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act regulating divorces"—

Ordered, That *Mr.* Scott inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed to inform this house that the President of the Senate has signed the following enrolled bills, entitled acts, to wit: the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for the partition of real estate";—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for the assessment of dower, and prescribing the mode of proceeding therein";—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act subjecting real and personal estate to execution";—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act to vacate the town of Edenborough";—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Warrick, Gibson, and Posey, and to remove the seat of justice of Warrick county, and for other purposes";—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act concerning apprentices";—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act regulating general elections";—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for the formation of a new county out of the county of Orange";—and an enrolled joint resolution for the immediate publication of the local acts of this General Assembly, in the Indiana Gazette; and then he withdrew.

The bill to authorise Paxton W. Todd to erect a toll bridge over Indian creek, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act.

Ordered, That Mr. Cotton inform the senate thereof.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole,

on the bill from the senate, entitled "an act to organize Ripley county," Mr. Bryson in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Bryson reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurren in by the house.

And then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act organizing the supreme court, and regulating the practice therein;"—The enrolled bill, entitled "an act to perpetuate testimony;"—And the enrolled bill, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Wairick and Perry, and for other purposes;" and had found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That Mr. Ferguson inform the senate thereof.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, entitled "an act to organize Ripley county," when Mr. Powell moved to amend the first section of said bill, by changing the eastern boundary line of said county, by leaving out of the said county of Ripley, all that part or tract of country which was originally attached to Dearborn county; and on that question, shall the bill be so amended? It was decided in the negative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Powell and Ferguson, the votes were as follows:

	YEAS,	NAYS,	
Messrs.	Buntin,	Messrs. Beggs,	Holman,
	Ferguson,	Bryson,	Hunt,
	M'Clure,	Carr,	Little,
	Powell	Campbell,	Littell,
	and	Chambers,	Milroy,
	Lane, (Spea.)–5.	Cotton,	Scott,
		Conner,	Slaughter,
		Dunn,	Stevens,
		Daniel,	Snowden,
		Graham,	and
		Hill,	Sullivan.–21.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The further consideration of said bill was postponed until to-morrow.

The bill effectually to prevent duelling, was taken up, and on motion, the house again resolved itself into a committee of the whole on said bill, Mr. Beggs in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Beggs reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read; when Mr. Dunn moved that the further consideration of said bill, be indefinitely postponed; and on the question, shall the consideration of said bill be indefinitely postponed? It was decided in the negative, and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Dunn, and Sullivan, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,	
Messrs. Beggs,	Messrs. Boon,	Milroy,
Cotton,	Bryson,	Powell,
Conner,	Buntin,	Scott,
Campbell,	Chambers,	Snowden,
Dunn,	Holman,	Slaughter,
Daniel,	Hunt,	Sullivan,
Ferguson,	Little,	Zenor,
Graham and	Littell,	and
Hill.—9.	M'Clure,	Lane, Sp.–17.

A motion was then made, that the house concur in the amendments made to said bill, in committee of the whole, and on the question of concurrence? It was carried in the affirmative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Conner and Sullivan, the votes were as follows.

YEAS,		NAYS,	
Messrs. Boon,	Milroy,	Messrs. Beggs,	
Bryson,	Powell,	Campbell,	
Buntin,	Scott,	Conner,	
Chambers,	Snowden,	Dunn,	
Little,	Slaughter,	Daniel,	
Littell,	Sullivan,	Ferguson,	
M'Clure,	Zenor, and	Graham,	
	Lane, [Spea.]–15.	Hill, and	
		Holman,—9.	

On motion of Mr. Sullivan,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed for a third reading to-morrow.

A message from the senate by Mr. Paul,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed to inform this house, that the senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act concerning clerks," with some amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

THURSDAY, Jan. 8.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee, to whom was refered the petition of William Ledgerwood and Morgan Eaton, praying an act authorising a toll bridge across Bussereau creek, reported a bill for that purpose; which was read the first time, and on motion, the same was read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house on Saturday next.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had on the 7th inst. presented to his Excellency the Governor, for his approval and signature, the following enrolled bills, entitled acts, to wit:—The enrolled bill, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Warrick, Gibson and Posey, and for the removal of the seat of justice of Warrick county, and for other purposes;"—And the enrolled bill, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county out of the county of Orange."

Mr. Milroy, from the committee to whom was refered the petition of Elijah Rinker, praying for a divorce, reported a bill for that purpose; which was read, and on motion of *Mr.* Hunt, the further consideration of said bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee of Ways and *Means*, reported a bill, providing for assessing and collecting revenue; which was read the first time, and on motion, the same was read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

A message from the Governor by Mr. Thomasson,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor, to inform this house, that he did on the 7th inst. approve and sign the following enrolled bills, entitled 'acts,' to wit;—'An act for the formation of a new county

out of the counties of Warrick, Gibson and Posey, and for the removal of the seat of justice of Warrick county, and for other purposes;'—also, an act, entitled 'an act for the formation of a new county out of the county of Orange;" which originated in this house.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate, to inform this house, that they have concurred in all the amendments made by the house of representatives, to the bill, entitled "an act authorising domestic attachments and regulating proceedings therein," except the amendment made to the first section, by striking out the letter 's', in the thirteenth line, and be inserting the word 'affirm,' and by striking out the word 'affirms,' in the fourteenth line; except also, the amendment made by striking out the word 'or' in the last line of the twenty-fourth section, and inserting the words 'or their' in the same line.

Mr. Chambers gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Harrison, Orange and Perry.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee for enrolled bills reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act for the formation of a new county off the north end of Wayne county;"—the enrolled bill, entitled "an act for the appointment of a pilot at the Falls of Ohio;"—the enrolled bill, entitled "an act to attach a part of the county of Harrison to the county of Perry;"—the enrolled bill, entitled "an act rendering authentic as evidence in the courts of this state, the public records and judicial proceedings of the courts of the United States:" the enrolled bill, entitled "an act authorising the sale of a certain tract of land belonging to the heirs of Elijah Sparks dec'd;" and had found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the senate thereof.

The bill from the senate, entitled "an act regulating the duties of sheriffs and coroners," was taken up and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The bill from the senate, entitled "an act for the appointment of constables," was taken up and read the first time, and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

The amendments made by the senate, to the bill concerning clerks, was taken up and severally read and concurred in by the house; and on the question, will the house concur in the amendments made to the fourth section of said bill by which amendment the said clerks are required to keep their offices open on each and every day, Sundays and the 4th of July excepted, from 10 until 3 o'clock? The yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Conner and Sullivan, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,		NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,	Holman,	Messrs. Conner,
Boon,	Little,	Daniel,
Bryson,	Littell,	Hunt,
Buntin,	Lynn,	M'Clure,
Carr,	Milroy,	and
Campbell,	Scott,	Powell.—3.
Chambers,	Slaughter,	
Cotton,	Snowden,	
Dunn,	Stevens,	
Ferguson,	Sullivan,	
Graham,	Zenor and	
Hill,	Lane, (Speaker.)—24.	

Ordered, That *Mr.* Boon inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr Montgomery,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed to inform this house, that the senate have passed a bill regulating estrays and water crafts going estray or gone adrift; and then he withdrew. And the said bill was read the first time, and ordered to be read the second time to morrow.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee did on the 7th inst. present to his Excellency the Governor, for his approval and signature, the following enrolled bills, to wit:—The enrolled bill, entitled "an act regulating general elections;"—the enrolled bill entitled "an act to vacate the town of Edenborough;"—the enrolled bill, entitled "an act respecting apprentices;"—the enrolled bill, entitled "an act subjecting real and personal estate to execution;"—the enrolled bill, entitled "an act for the assignment of dower and prescribing the mode of proceeding therein;"—the enrolled bill, entitled "an act for the partition of real estate;" and a joint resolution for the immediate publication of the local acts in the "Indiana Gazette."

Mr. Sullivan presented the petition of Abigail Dickinson, praying certain relief; which was read and referred to a select committee of Messrs. Sullivan, Carr, Ferguson, Beggs and Stevens, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The house again resumed the consideration of the bill, organizing the county of Ripley: when *Mr.* Powell moved to amend the first section of said bill, by striking out these words, "old boundary line, thence south with said old boundary to the corner of Switzerland county," and inserting in lieu thereof, these words, "first range line west of the Indian boundary line, that runs from the mouth of Kentucky river, thence south to the corner of Switzerland county;" and on the question, shall the bill be so amended, the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Powell and Holman? It was decided in the negative, and the votes were as follows:

	YEAS,		NAYS,	
Messrs.	Buntin,	Messrs.	Beggs,	Hill
	Ferguson,		Bryson,	Holman,
	Littell,		Carr,	Hunt,
	Lynn,		Campbell,	Little,
	Powell,		Chambers,	Milroy,
	M'Clure,		Cotton,	Slaughter,
	Zenor and		Conner,	Snowden,
	Lane, (Speak.)—8.		Dunn,	Stevens,
			Daniel,	and
			Graham,	Sullivan.—19.

The bill was then read the third time and passed; and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Powell and Dunn, the votes were as follows:

	YEAS,			NAYS,
Messrs.	Beggs,		Messrs.	Buntin,
	Bryson,	Holman,		Ferguson,
	Carr,	Hunt,		M'Clure,
	Campbell,	Little,		Powell,
	Chambers,	Littell,		and
	Cotton,	Milroy,		Lane, (Spea.)—5.
	Conner,	Slaughter,		
	Dunn,	Snowden,		
	Daniel,	Stevens,		
	Graham,	Sullivan		
	Hill.	and		
		Zenor—21.		

Ordered, That *Mr.* Daniel inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

A message from the senate by Mr. Conner,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed to inform this house, that the President of the senate has signed the enrolled bill, entitled 'an act respecting apprentices;'—the enrolled bill, entitled 'an act for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Warrick and Perry;' and the enrolled bill, entitled 'an act organizing the supreme court and regulating the practice therein, revised and amended'

The bill effectually to prevent duelling, was taken up and read the third time and passed; and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Sullivan and Dunn, and the votes were as follows:

YEAS,		NAYS,
Messrs. Bryson,	Milroy,	Messrs. Biggs,
Buntin,	Powell,	Carr,
Chambers,	Scott,	Campbell,
Holman,	Slaughter,	Cotton,
Hunt,	Snowden,	Conner,
Little,	Stevens,	Dunn,
Luttell,	Sullivan,	Daniel,
Lyon,	Zinor and	Ferguson,
M'Clure,	Lane, (Spea)—18	Graham and Hill—10.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act effectually to prevent duelling."

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

And then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill to revive and amend the act, entitled "an act to incorporate the Indiana church," Mr. Stevens in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stevens reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made an amendment to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendment he handed in at the clerk's table, where it was again read and concurred in by the house.

The house proceeded to consider their amendments made to the bill from the senate, entitled "an act authorising domestic attachments," which amendments were disagreed to by the senate, and on motion,

Resolved, That the house recede from their said amendments

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The engrossed bill defining the duties of recorders, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act defining the duties of recorders, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That Mr. Hunt inform the senate thereof.

The joint resolution to cause the acts and journals of the present General Assemble to be printed in the most speedy manner, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

The bill concerning insolvent debtors, was taken up and read the third time and passed; and on the question, Shall this bill pass? the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Hunt and Stevens, and the votes were as follows:

YEAS.		NAYS.
Messrs. Bryson,	Hill,	Messrs. Bonn,
Carr,	Holman,	Cotton,
Campbell,	Little,	Hunt,
Chambers,	Milroy,	M'Clure,
Conner,	Powell,	and
Dunn,	Scott,	Stevens—5.
Daniel,	Snowden,	
Ferguson,	Slaughter,	
Graham,	Zenor &	
	Lane, Speaker—19.	

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act concerning insolvent debtors."

Ordered, That Mr. Ferguson inform the senate thereof.

The bill concerning attornies and counsellors at law, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act."

Ordered, That Mr. Zenor inform the senate thereof and desire their concurrence thereto

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill providing for public roads and highways, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Ferguson re-

ported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein; but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again: whereupon leave was given.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill, incorporating the commissioners of Switzerland County and their successors in office, as trustees of the Seminary of Vevay, Mr. Daniel in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Daniel reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made an amendment to the same by striking it out from the enacting clause; in which amendment they desire the concurrence of the house; and, on motion, the house concurred in the same.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan,

The said bill was re-committed to a select committee of Messrs, Sullivan, Cotton, Powell, Stevens and Hunt.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill for the relief of Noah Wright, sheriff of Washington County, Mr. Sullivan in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Sullivan reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house: and, on motion, the further consideration of said bill was postponed until to morrow.

The bill to authorise William Wright to build a toll bridge over Silver Creek, was taken up and read the third time and passed:

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act."

Ordered, That Mr. Carr inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed to inform this house that the president of the senate has signed the enrolled bill entitled, "an act authorising the appointment of a pilot at the falls of Ohio"—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for rendering authentic, as evidence in the courts of this state,

the public acts, records, and judicial proceedings of the courts of the United States";—the enrolled bill, entitled, "an act for the formation of a new county off the north end of Wayne County";—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for attaching part of Harrison County to the county of Perry, and for other purposes";—and the enrolled bill entitled, "an act authorising the sale of a certain tract of land belonging to the heirs of Elijah Sparks, deceased." I am also directed to inform this house, that the Governor has communicated to the senate, that he did, on yesterday, approve and sign the following bills, which originated in the senate: A joint resolution for the immediate publication of the local acts in the Indiana Gazette;—an act to provide for the partition of real estate:—an act for the assignment of dower, and prescribing the mode of proceeding therein;—an act respecting apprentices:—an act to vacate the town of Edenborough;—an act to regulate general elections;—and an act subjecting real and personal estate to execution.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill to prevent waste on lands reserved for the use of schools and salt springs, Mr. Milroy in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Milroy reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk' table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

A message from the senate by Mr. Paul.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have concurred in the amendments made by the house of representatives to the bill from the senate entitled, "an act to organize the county of Ripley."

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill to authorise Tabitha Armstrong administratrix, and Henry Morton administrator, of John Armstrong, dec'd, to sell and convey certain lots of land in the town of Bethlehem, belonging to the heirs of said John Armstrong, dec'd, Mr. Conner in the chair, and

after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Conner reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments be handed in at the clerk's table; where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That said bill bill be engrossed and read a third time on Saturday next.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning nine oclock.

FRIDAY Jan. 9.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Buntin presented the petition of the inhabitants of Vincennes and the lower prairie, praying certain relief, which was read and refered to the committee to whom was referred the petition of Pier Andrew and others, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate, to inform this house that the senate have concurred in the amendments made by this house to the bill from the senate, entitled, "an act regulating foreign attachments."

The bill from the senate entitled, "an act regulating estrays," was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Monday next.

The bill from the senate, entitled, "an act for the appointment of constables," was taken up and read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house and made the order of the day for this day.

The bill from the senate, entitled, "an act regulating the duties of sheriffs and coroners," was taken up and read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

The bill to provide for the election of certain officers in this state was taken up and read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for this day.

The bill for the relief of sundry inhabitants of Perry county, was taken up and read the second time, and, on mo-

tion, committed to a committee of the whole house and made the order of the day for this day.

The joint resolution, providing for taking the sense of the people of this state on that part of the constitution, which fixes the seat of government at Corydon until the year 1825, was taken up, and Mr Slaughter moved that the further consideration of the same be indefinitely postponed; and on that question? It was decided in the negative: and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Slaughter and Zenor, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,	
Messrs. Bryson,	Messrs Beggs,	Graham,
Hall,	Boon,	Holman,
Lowell,	Bowlin,	Hunt,
Powell,	Carr,	Little,
Scott,	Campbell,	Lynn,
Slaughter,	Conner,	Milroy,
and	Cotton,	M'Clure,
Zenor.—7.	Dunn,	Snowden,
	Daniel,	Stevens,
	Ferguson,	Sullivan and
		Lane. [Spea]—21.

The house then, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on said resolution, Mr. Snowden in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Snowden reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said resolution under consideration, and had gone through the same, and had made no amendment thereto, and had directed him to report the same without amendment.

A motion was then made that the further consideration of said resolution be postponed until Monday next, but before the question was taken thereon, the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjornment.

The house resumed the consideration of the motion to postpone the further consideration of the joint resolution for taking the sense of the people of this state, on that part of the constitution which fixes the seat of government at Corydon for nine years, until Monday next, and the question being taken thereon? It was decided in the affirmative.

A message from the senate by Mr. Baird,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed to inform this house, that the senate have passed a bill for the relief of the poor, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

A message form the senate by Mr. Depauw,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed to inform this house, that the senate have passed a bill for the relief of insane persons;—also, a bill for recording town plats; to which they desire the concurrence of this house. I am also directed to inform this house, that the senate have passed the bill from this house, against forcible entry and detainer;—the bill concerning trespassing animals: and the bill legalizing the proceedings of boards of county commissioners in certain cases, to which said bills they have made some amendments, in which they desire the concurrence of this house; and then he withdrew. And the said amendments were taken up and severally read and concurred in by the house; except the one made in the sixth and seventh lines of the first section of the bill concerning trespassing animals.

Ordered, That Mr. Graham inform the senate thereof.

The bill to reduce into one act, all the acts and parts of acts on the subject of crimes and punishments, was taken up and read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house and made the order of the day for this day.

And on motion, the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on said bill. Mr. Little in the chair, and after some time spent therein, *Mr.* Speaker resumed the chair, and *Mr.* Little reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again: whereupon leave was given.

A message from the senate by Mr. Depauw,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate, to inform this house, that the senate adhere to their amendments made to the first section of the bill from this house, entitled "an act concerning trespassing animals;" and then he withdrew: and on motion, the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

SATURDAY, Jan. 10.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee did, on yesterday, present to his Excellency the Governor, for his approval and signature, the following enrolled bills, to wit: The enrolled bill, entitled 'an act for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Warrick and Perry;' and the enrolled bill, entitled 'an act to perpetuate testimony;' and the enrolled bill, entitled 'an act organizing the supreme court and regulating the practice therein.' And that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled 'an act for the formation of Monroe county out of the county of Orange;'—the enrolled bill, entitled 'an act relative to foreign attachments;'—the enrolled bill, entitled 'an act organizing the county of Ripley;'—the bill authorising aliens and foreigners to purchase and hold lands in this state, and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the said bills.

Ordered, That Mr. Hunt inform the senate thereof.

The bill from the senate, entitled 'an act for the relief of the poor,' was taken up and read the first time, and on motion, the same was read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Stevens.

Leave was given him to withdraw a bill which he introduced into this house, regulating the practice in the courts of chancery; and also, leave to withdraw a bill which he introduced, organizing the associate Judges of the different circuit courts into a regular court, called a county court.

Mr. Stevens then gave notice that he would, on Monday next, move for leave to bring in a bill, regulating the practice in suits at common law and in chancery.

Mr. Slaughter presented the petition of James Bell and others, on the subject of navigation; which was read and refered to a select committee of Messrs. Slaughter, Zenor, Littell, M'Clure and Graham, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Stevens,

Ordered, That a select committee be appotnted to bring

in a bill, making the necessary specific appropriations for the year 1818. and thereupon Messrs. Stevens, Sullivan, Hunt and Slaughter, were appointed that committee.

Mr. M'Clure presented the petition of James G. Reed and others, on the subject of a public road; which was read and referred to a select committee of messrs. M'Clure, Buntin, Sullivan, Daniel. Campbell, Zenor and Slaughter, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

A message from the senate by Mr. Conner,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed to inform this house, that the senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act providing for the support of illegitimate children," and have made several amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

Mr Chambers, agreeably to notice and leave given, introduced a bill for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Orange. Harrison and Perry; which was read and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

Ordered. That the committee to whom was refered the petition of James Bell and others, on the subject of navigation, be instructed to take into consideration the expediency of passing a general law describing what streams shall be considered navigable within this state, with leave to report thereon. by bill or otherwise.

Mr. M' lure gave notice that he would, on Monday next, move for leave to bring in a bill for the relief of the heirs of Henry Vanderburgh. dec'd.

A message from the senate by Mr. Paul,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill. entitled "an act regulating grist mills and millers;" to which they desire the concurrence of this house: and then he withdrew. And the said bill was then taken up & read the first time, and on motion. the same was ordered to be read the second time on Monday next.

Mr. Sullivan. from the committee, to whom was refered the petition of Abigail Dickison. praying an act to authorise the sale of certain real estate, belonging to the heirs of Ebenezer Dickison deceased. reported a bill for that purpose: which was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

The bill from the senate, entitled "an act providing for

the recording of town plats," was taken up and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

The amendments made by the senate, to the bill from this house, entitled "an act for the support of illegitimate children," was taken up and read, and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Scott inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Boon moved that the house come to the following resolution:

"*Resolved*, That no new business be received into this house after the 12th day of January, 1818, except two thirds of the house shall think proper to receive it."

And the question being put thereon it was decided in the negative: and the yeas and nays being called for by Messrs. Ferguson and Boon, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,
Messrs. Boon,	Messrs. Beggs,
Bryson,	Bunlo,
Cotton,	Carr,
Daniel,	Campbell
Dunn,	Chambers,
Graham,	Conner,
Hunt	Ferguson,
Lattell,	Hill,
Milroy,	Leale,
Scott,	M'Clure,
and	Powell,
Stevens—11.	Snowden,
	Sullivan,
	Z nor, and
	Lane, (Speaker)—15.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills reported, that the said committee had, on this day presented to his Excellency the Governor, for his approval and signature the following enrolled bills, entitled acts, to wit:

The enrolled bill entitled, "an act authorising the appointment of a pilot at the falls of Ohio;"—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for the formation of a new county off the north end of Wayne;"—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for attaching a part of Harrison to the county of Perry and for other purposes;"—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act authorising the sale of a certain tract of land belonging to the heirs of Elijah Sparks deceased;"—and the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for rendering authentic, as evidence in the courts of this state, the public acts, records

and judicial proceedings of the courts of the United States."

The bill to revive the act incorporating the Indiana Church, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act to incorporate the Indiana Church."

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

A message from the Governor by Mr. New.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor to inform this house, that he did, on this day, approve and sign the following acts:

An act for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Warrick and Perry—

An act authorising the appointment of a Pilot at the falls of Ohio—

An act for rendering authentic, as evidence in the courts of this state, the public acts, records and judicial proceedings of the courts of the United States—

An act to perpetuate testimony—

An act for the formation of a new county off the north end of Wayne—and

An act for attaching a part of the county of Harrison to the county of Perry, and for other purposes.

The engrossed bill regulating the enclosing and cultivating of common fields, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, 'an act regulating the enclosing and cultivating of common fields.'

Ordered, That Mr. Zenor inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto.

The bill authorising Tabitha Armstrong and Henry Morton, administrators of John Armstrong, deceased, to sell and convey certain lots in the town of Bethlehem, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act."

Ordered, That the clerk inform the senate thereof.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole again on the bill to reduce into one the several acts on the subject of crime and punishment, and after some time spent therein, the committee rose, and the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the senate by Mr. Montgomery.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed to inform this house, that the senate have passed the bill from this house regulating the firing of woods, prairies and other lands, and had made some amendments to the same, in which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The house, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill to reduce into one act, all the acts on the subject of crime and punishment, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and Mr. Little reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein; but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again: whereupon leave was given.

On motion,

The house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill to reduce into one act, all the acts on the subject of crime and punishment, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Little reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same; but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again: whereupon leave was given.

And then the house adjourned until Monday-morning, ten o'clock.

MONDAY, Jan. 12.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee of conference on the disagreement of the two houses, on the subject of the amendments made by the senate to the bill for the formation of a new county out of the county of Sullivan, made the following report:—

Mr. Speaker—The managers, appointed on the part of the two houses respectively, upon the subject matter of the

disagreement of the house of representatives, to the amendments made in the senate, to the first and third sections of the bill, for the formation of a new county off of sullivan, report: that they have agreed that each house recede in part as it respects the amendment made to the first section, so that the words *twenty-three* and *twenty-six* be erased, and the words *fourteen* and *twenty-three* be inserted; and that the house of representatives recede from their objections to the first amendment in the third section; and the senate recede from their second amendment in the said third section.

On motion,

The house concurred in said report.

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee to whom was refered the petition of sundry inhabitants of Sullivan county, praying that the courts of said county may be continued to be held at the town of Carlisle, reported a bill for that purpose; which was read and ordered to be read a second time tomorrow.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill legalizing the proceedings of the commissioners of Knox county; which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The amendments made, by the senate, to the bill from this house, entitled, "an act concerning firing of woods, prairies, and other lands, were taken up and read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that the senate have concurred in the report of the managers, who were appointed on the disagreement between the two houses, on the subject of the amendments made by the senate to the bill from the house of representatives, entitled, "an act for the formation of a new county out of the county of Sullivan."

On motion of Mr. Stevens,

Ordered, that a committee of two be appointed on the part of this house to confer with a similar committee which may be appointed on the part of the senate, to agree on some certain day, on which this General Assembly shall adjourn, unless two-thirds of all the members elect, shall, on said

day, disagree thereto: and thereupon Messrs. Sullivan and Stevens were appointed that committee.

Ordered, That Mr. Stevens inform the senate thereof, and request a similar committee on their part.

Mr. M'Clure, agreeably to notice and leave given, introduced a bill for the relief of the heirs of Henry Vanderburgh, deceased; which was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The bill from the senate providing for the recording of town plats;—the bill for the relief of insane persons;—the bill regulating grist mills and millers;—and the bill for the relief of Abigail Dickison, were taken up and severally read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house on Tuesday next.

The bill to attach a part of the county of Harrison to the county of Orange, and for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Orange, Harrison and Perry, was taken up and read the second time, and, on motion, the same was committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for this day.

The house, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill to reduce into one act, all acts and parts of acts on the subject of crime and punishment, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Little reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made several amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house.

On motion,

The house concurred in said amendments.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Wednesday next.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill regulating weights and measures; to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

They have also passed the joint resolution from this house providing for the printing of the acts and journals of this General Assembly in the most speedy manner, and have made some amendments to the same; to which they desire the concurrence of this house; and then he with-

drew: and the said amendments were then taken up and read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan inform the senate thereof.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill for the relief of sundry inhabitants of Perry county, Mr. Scott in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Scott reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made no amendment thereto, and directed him to report the said bill without amendment.

On motion,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time tomorrow.

On motion,

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill regulating the Militia, *Mr.* Daniel in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Daniel reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein; but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again: whereupon leave was given.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house entitled, "an act regulating the interest on money," and have made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house—and then he withdrew.

And the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill entitled, "an act regulating the interest of money," were taken up and read, and are as follows: The first amendment to said bill was made by inserting between the words *per centum* and *for* in the first section of said bill, these words, "*and no more unless by special contract in writing*"—and the second amendment to said bill was made by striking out the first and second sections of said bill, and inserting instead thereof these words: "All laws and parts of laws heretofore in force in this state, regulating the interest on

money, are hereby repealed: this act to take effect and be in force from and after its publication." And on the question, Will the house concur in said amendment? it was decided in the negative: and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Daniel and Ferguson, Mr Boon voted in the affirmative, and all the other members voted in the negative.

Ordered, that Mr. Milroy inform the senate that this house have refused to concur in said amendments.

A message from the Governor by Mr. New.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor to inform this house, that he did, on this day, approve and sign an act organizing the Supreme Court, and regulating the practice therein.

Mr. Ferguson gave notice that he would, on tomorrow, move for leave to bring in a bill supplementary to the act regulating ferries.

The bill from the senate entitled, "an act regulating weights and measures," was taken up and read the first time and ordered to be read a second time to morrow.

The bill from the senate entitled, "an act for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Franklin and Wayne," was taken up, and Mr. Stevens moved, that the further consideration of said bill be indefinitely postponed: and on that question? it was decided in the affirmative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Hunt and Carr, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,			NAYS,
Messrs. Biggs,	Hill,	Messrs. Boon,	
Bryson,	Holman,	Hunt,	
Carr,	Little,	Powell,	
Campbell,	Lynn,	Snowden,	
Chambers,	M'Clure,	Sullivan	
Cooper,	Milroy,	and	
Cotton,	Scott,	Lane, Sp.—6.	
Daniel,	Stevens,		
Dunn,	Slaughter		
Ferguson,	and		
Graham,	Zinn.—24.		

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The joint resolution providing for taking the sense of the people of this state, on that part of the Constitution which fixes the seat of government at Corydon for nine years, was taken up, and, on motion of Mr. Sullivan, the further consideration of the same was indefi-

nitely postponed: and on that question? the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Graham and M'Clure, the votes were as follows:

	YEAS.		NAYS.
Messrs.	Boon,	Messrs.	Beggs,
	Bryson,		Carr,
	Campbell,		Dunn,
	Chambers,		Ferguson,
	Cotton,		Graham,
	Conner,		Hunt,
	Daniel,		Little,
	Hill,		M'Clure,
	Holman,		Milroy
	Littell,		and
	Lynn,		Snowden—10.
	Powell,		
	Scott,		
	Stevens,		
	Slaughter,		
	Sullivan,		
	Zenor &		
	Lane, Speaker—18.		

The bill for the inspection of Flour, Beef and Pork, was taken up, and, on motion of Mr. Sullivan, the committee of the whole were discharged from a further consideration of said bill; and, on motion, the said bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time tomorrow.

A message from the senate by Mr. Conner.

Mr Speaker—the senate have passed the bill concerning impeachments, with some amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill from the senate, entitled, "an act regulating the fees of the several officers and persons therein named, Mr. Milroy in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Milroy reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go thro' the same, they desire leave to sit again: whereupon leave was given.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs.

Mr Speaker.—I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that the senate have passed a bill from this house, entitled, "an act defining the duties of recorder, and for other purposes," with some amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

They have also passed a bill from this house, entitled "an act to authorise William Wright to build a toll bridge across Silver creek," with some amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

A message from the senate by Mr. Paul,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act authorising Paxton W. Todd to build a toll bridge across Indian creek," with some amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this house; and then he withdrew. And the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The house again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill regulating the fees of the several officers and persons therein named, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Milroy reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house

On motion, the house concurred in said amendments.

And then the house adjourned until to morrow morning ten o'clock.

TUESDAY, Jan. 13.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Dunn having obtained leave, presented the petition of Susannah Best, praying for a divorce from her husband Edward Best; which was read, and Mr. Dunn moved that the same be refered to a select committee, with leave to report by bill or otherwise, which motion was decided in the negative; and the said petition was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ferguson, agreeably to notice and leave given, introduced a bill supplementary to the act, establishing and regulating ferries: which was read the first time, and on motion of Mr. Little, the further consideration of said bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Sullivan, having obtained leave, introduced a bill for the relief of sundry suitors in the late General Court in Knox county: which was read the first time, and on motion, the same was read the second time, and committed to

a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Milroy,

Ordered, That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill providing for the compensation of the members of his general assembly, and the officers thereunto belonging, and thereupon Messrs. Milroy, Dunn, Sullivan, Stevens, Daniel, Ferguson, Slaughter, Boon and Holman were appointed that committee.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled joint resolution, to cause the acts and journals of the present General Assembly to be printed in the most speedy manner, and found the same truly enrolled; whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house, entitled "an act authorising William Wright to erect a toll bridge across Silver creek," were taken up and read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Carr inform the senate thereof.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill defining and regulating the duties of recorder, and for other purposes, were taken up and read and concurred in by the house, except the one made in the title of said bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Stevens inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act authorising domestic attachments and regulating the proceedings thereon," and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the senate thereof.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house, entitled "an act to authorise Paxton W. Todd to erect a toll bridge across Indian creek," were taken up and read, and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Cotton inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act to revive and amend the act, incorporating the Indiana Church," with some amend-

ments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The bill regulating the duties and jurisdiction of justices of the peace, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act regulating the duties and jurisdiction of justices of the peace."

Ordered, That Mr. Little inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

A message from the senate by Mr. Doty, assistant secretary,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that the senate have passed the bill from this house, concerning attornies and counsellors at law, without any amendment thereto.

A message from the senate by Mr. Paul,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed to inform this house, that the senate have come to the following resolution:

Resolved, that a committee of conference be appointed on the part of the senate, to confer with a similar committee on the part of the house of representatives, upon the subject of the difference between the two houses, upon the amendments made by the house of representatives to the second and tenth sections of a bill to regulate marriages, and that the house of representatives be requested to appoint a similar committee.—The senate have appointed Messrs. Paul and Polke a committee on their part; and then he withdrew.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed to inform this house, that the senate adhere to their amendment made to the title of the bill from this house, entitled "an act defining and regulating the duties of recorder, and for other purposes.

The bill from the senate, entitled "an act regulating the fees of the several officers and persons therein named," was taken up, and Mr. Milroy moved to strike out that part of said bill which subjects parties to an attornies fee, and on the question, shall the said bill be so amended? It was decided in the negative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Sullivan and Stevens, the votes were a follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,	Messrs. Boon,
Campbell,	Bryson,
Cotton,	Carr,
Ferguson,	Chambers,
Hunt,	Conner,
M'Clure,	Daniel,
Milroy,	Dunn,
Powell,	Graham,
Snowden,	Hill,
Stevens	Holman,
and	Little,
Sullivan.—11.	Littell,
	Lynn,
	Scott,
	Slaughter,
	Zenor and
	Lane, (Spea.)—17.

Mr. Sullivan then moved to amend said bill, by striking out of that part of said bill which relates to the compensation of grand jurors, the words "*seventy five*," and inserting in lieu thereof, the word "*fifty*;" and on the question, shall the said bill be so amended? It was decided in the negative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Sullivan and Bryson, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,	
Messrs. Conner,	Messrs. Beggs,	Holman,
Little,	Boon,	Hunt,
Milroy	Bryson,	Littell,
and	Carr,	Lynn,
Sullivan.—4.	Campbell,	M'Clure,
	Chambers,	Powell,
	Cotton,	Scott,
	Daniel,	Snowden,
	Dunn,	Stevens,
	Ferguson,	Slaughter,
	Graham,	Zenor and
	Hill,	Lane, [Spea.]—24.

Mr. Boon then moved to amend said bill by inserting immediately after the words "75 *cents*," these words, "*or a discount of one days labor on public roads and highways in their respective townships, at the election of such jurors*;" and on that question? It was decided in the affirmative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by

Messrs. Boon and Dunn, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,		NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,	Holman,	Messrs. Chambers,
Boon,	Hunt,	Hill,
Bryson,	Little,	Lynn,
Carr,	Littell,	Powell,
Campbell,	Milroy,	Scott,
Cotton,	Snowden,	Sullivan
Conner,	Stevens,	and
Daniel,	Slaughter	Zenor.—7.
Dunn,	and	
Ferguson,	Lane, (Speaker)—20.	
Graham,		

Mr. Milroy then moved to amend said bill by striking out of that part of said bill which relates to the compensation of petit jurors, these words, "*every juror sworn in each action 37 1-2 cents,*" and inserting in lieu thereof, these words "*every petit juror sworn and attending per day, to be paid out of the county Treasury, fifty cents,*" and on the question, shall the bill be so amended? It was decided in the negative: and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Boon and Sullivan, the votes were as follows:—Yeas 2.—Nays 24—and Messrs. Milroy and Powell voted in the affirmative, and the other members all voted in the negative.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act authorising Tabitha Armstrong, administratrix and Henry Morton, administrator of John Armstrong decd. to sell and convey certain lots in the town of Bethlehem," and have made an amendment thereto, in which they desire the concurrence of this house.

On motion, the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Conner,

Ordered, That the bill from the senate, entitled "an act regulating the fees of the several officers and person therein named," be read the third time to-morrow.

The house proceeded to consider their objections to the amendment made by the senate, to the title of the bill from this house, entitled "an act defining and regulating the duties of recorder," and on motion,

Resolved, That this house recede from said objections and concur in said amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed to inform this house, that the senate have receded from their amendments to the bill from this house, entitled "an act regulating the interest on money."

The amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house, authorising Tabitha Armstrong & Henry Morton, administrators of John Armstrong decd. to sell and convey certain lots in the town of Bethlehem, was taken up and read, and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Beggs inform the senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Boon,

Messrs. Milroy and Conner were appointed a committee of conferrence on the part of this house, to act with a similar committee appointed by the senate, on the difference between the two houses, on the amendments made by this house, to the bill from the senate, entitled "an act regulating marriages."

Ordered, That Mr Ferguson inform the senate thereof.

The house, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill regulating the militia, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Daniel reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again: whereupon leave was given. And then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act regulating divorces," and have made some amendments to the same, in which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The house, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill regulating the militia and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Daniel reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill un-

der consideration, and had made several amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; on motion, the house concurred in said amendments.

A message from the senate by Mr. Baird,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act concerning vagrants," and have made some amendments thereto, to which they desire the concurrence of this house; and then he withdrew.

And the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 14.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the senate by Mr. Montgomery,

Mr. Speaker—The President of the senate has signed the enrolled bill, entitled "an act to organize the county of Ripley;"—the enrolled bill, entitled 'an act for the formation of Monroe county;'—the enrolled bill, entitled 'an act authoising aliens and foreigners to hold real estate within the state of Indiana;'—the enrolled bill, entitled 'an act relative to foreign attachments and to regulate proceedings thereon;'—the enrolled bill, entitled 'an act authorising domestic attachments and to regulate proceedings thereon;' and a joint resolution to cause the acts passed at the present session to be printed in the most speedy manner.

Mr. Carr, from the committee to whom was refered the petition of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Orange, Clark, Washington and Harrison, praying for a new county to be formed out of said counties, reported that the said committee had, according to order, had the said petition under consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners is unreasonable and ought not to be granted, and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition; in which report the house concurred.

A message from the senate by *Mr.* Paul,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill, entitled 'an act establishing the office and defining the duties of notary public; to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill, entitled

'an act to restrain pedlars from selling without licence in this state;' to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

Mr. Stevens, agreeably to notice and leave given, introduced a bill regulating the practice in suits at law and in chancery, which was read the first time, and on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Carr, having obtained leave, presented the petition of Jonathan Carson, praying for a divorce from his wife Jane Carson, which was read and Mr. Carr then moved that said petition be refered to a select committee with leave to report by bill or otherwise; which motion was decided in the negative

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill for the relief of John Hurst junr. late sheriff of Harrison county, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

A message from the senate by Mr, Baird,

Mr. Speaker— The senate have passed a bill from this house, entitled 'an act for the relief of occupying claimants to lands,' and have made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill, entitled "an act to prevent waste on lands reserved for the use of schools and salt springs;' to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The bill from the senate, entitled 'an act establishing the office and defining the duties of notary public,' was taken up and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. M'Clure gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill to attach the town of Liverpool to the town of Washington, in the county of Davies.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan,

Ordered, That a committee be appointed to act with a similar committee to be appointed on the part of the senate, to take into consideration the manner the acts of the present session shall be printed, and what acts shall be considered private acts, and also, what acts shall be con-

sidered necessary for immediate printing, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house, entitled 'an act regulating divorces,' was taken up and read, and concurred in by the house, except the one made to said bill by striking out the word '*impotency*' in that part of said bill which relates to the causes of divorce; and the one made by striking out that part of said bill, which subjects the offending parties to the pains and penalties of bigamy, who shall marry after a divorce is obtained in pursuance of the provisions of said bill, and on the question of concurrence in this amendment, the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Dunn and Hunt, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,
Messrs. Bron,	Messrs. Biggs,
Buntin,	Bryson,
Carr,	Campbell,
Dunn,	Chambers,
Graham,	Conner,
Hoot,	Cotton,
Littell,	Daniel,
Morey,	Ferguson,
Powell,	Hill,
Slaughter and	Holman,
Sullivan—11,	Little,
	Lynn,
	M'Clure,
	Scott,
	Snowden,
	Stevens,
	Zenor and
	Lane, (Speaker)—18

Ordered, That Mr. Stevens inform the senate thereof. Mr. Ferguson from the committee for enrolled bills reported that the said committee did on this day present to the Governor, for his approval and signature, the following enrolled bills, to wit: The enrolled bill, entitled, "an act authorising domestic attachments, and regulating the proceedings thereon":—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act relative to foreign attachments and regulating the proceedings thereon":—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act authorising aliens, and foreignors to hold real estate within the state of Indiana":—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for the formation of Monroe county out of the county of Orange":—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act to organize the county of

Ripley";—and a joint resolution to cause the acts passed at the present session to be printed in the most speedy manner.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house entitled, "an act for the relief of occupying claimants to land," were taken up and read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Ferguson inform the senate thereof.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house entitled, "an act to revive and amend the act incorporating the Indiana Church," were taken up and read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan inform the senate thereof.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house entitled, 'an act concerning vagrants,' were taken up and read and concurred in by the house:

Ordered, That Mr. Chambers inform the senate thereof.

The bill from the senate entitled, "an act to prevent hawkers and pedlars from selling without licence within this state," was taked up and read the first time; and Mr. Sullivan then moved, that the further consideration of said bill be indefinitely postponed; which motion was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Boon,

The said bill was then read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

The bill from the senate entitled, "an act for the relief of John Hurst, jr. late sheriff of Harrison County," was taken up and read the first time, and, on motion of Mr. Stevens, the further consideration of said bill was indefinitely postponed.

The house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ferguson from the committee for enrolled bills reported, that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill entitled, "an act against forcible entry and detainer"; and the enrolled bill entitled, "an act legalizing the proceedings of boards of county commissioners in certain ca-

ses," and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the senate thereof.

The bill to continue the Courts for the County of Sullivan at the town of Carlisle—

The bill for the relief of the heirs of Henry Vanderburgh deceased—

The bill from the senate entitled, "an act regulating weights and measures,"—were each taken up and severally read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house on to-morrow.

The bill for the relief of sundry inhabitants of the county of Perry, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act."

Ordered, That Mr. Lynn inform the senate thereof.

The engrossed bill regulating the inspection of Flour, Beef and Pork, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act regulating the inspection of Flour, Beef and Pork."

Ordered, That Mr. Scott inform the senate therof.

The engrossed bill to prevent waste on lands reserved for the use of schools and salt springs, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled an act to prevent waste on lands reserved for the use of schools and salt springs.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

The engrossed bill from the senate entitled, "an act regulating the fees of the several officers and persons therein named," was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the senate thereof.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill providing for the assessing and collecting of revenue, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Ferguson reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again: whereupon leave was given.

A message from the senate by Mr. Doty.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house that the senate have passed a bill from this house entitled, "an act regulating proceedings in ejectment, distress for rent, and tenants at will holding over, with some amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this house—and then he withdrew.

And the house adjourned for two hours.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill regulating the militia, was taken up, and Mr. Holman moved to amend said bill by striking out the words "*and fifty cents*" out of that part of said bill which imposes a fine on persons for failing to attend regimental musters; and on the question, Shall the bill be so amended? it was decided in the negative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Carr and Holman, the votes were as follows:

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Carr,	Messrs, Beggs,
Chambers,	Bryson,
Graham,	Campbell,
Hill,	Conner,
Holman,	Cotton,
Hunt,	Dunn,
Little,	Ferguson,
M'Clure,	Milroy,
Scott,	Powell,
and	Snowden,
Lane, Speaker.—10.	Stevens, &
	Zenor.—12.

Mr. Beggs then moved to amend said bill by striking out of that part of said bill which subjects a private to a fine of one dollar for failing to attend a company muster the words "*one dollar*," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "*seventy-five cents*"; and on the question, Shall the said bill be so amended? it was decided in the affirmative, and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. M'Clure and Holman, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,	Messrs. Bryson,
Campbell,	Carr,
Chambers,	Conner,
Cotton,	Milroy,
Dunn,	Snowden,
Ferguson,	Stevens,
Graham,	Sullivan,
Hill,	and
Holman,	Zenor.—8.
Hunt,	
Little,	
M'Clure,	
Powell,	
Scott, & Lane, (Speaker)—15.	

Mr. Dunn then moved to amend said bill by striking the words, "*and company musters*;" out of the 15th section thereof, which motion wasdecided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Milroy,

The said bill was then amended by adding to the end of the fifty sixth section thereof, the following proviso:

"Provided, however, that if any militia man shall ap-"pear at any muster, without a sufficient Rifle, Musket "or Fusee, he being the owner of any such Rifle, *M*usket "or Fusee, he shall be fined fifty cents for every such of-"fence or neglect of duty."

On motion of Mr. Hill,

The said bill was then amended by striking out the words "*and fifty-cents*" out of the 42d section thereof.

On motion of Mr. Milroy,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Saturday next.

The house again resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill providing for the assessing and collecting of revenue, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Ferguson reported that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration. and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again: whereupon leave was given.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow-morning nine o'clock.

THURSDAY, Jan. 15.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house entitled "an act regulating proceedings in ejectment, distress for rent, and tenants at will holding over were taken up and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Witroy inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee to whom was refered the petition of sundry inhabitants of Vincennes and lower prairie, praying certain relief, reported a bill to authorize the lower and caihelfinettes prairies to be enclosed, which was read the first time, and, on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time on Saturday next.

Mr. Powell, having obtained leave, presented the petition of sundry inhabitants of Dearborn County, praying for a removal of the seat of justice of said county from Lawrenceburgh, which was read, and, on motion of Mr. Sullivan, the further consideration of said petition was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Powell,

Ordered, That said petitioners have leave to withdraw their said petition.

A message from the senate by Mr. Doty.

Mr. Speaker.—I am directed by the senate to inform this house that the senate have concurred in all the amendments made by this house to the bill from the senate entitled, "an act regulating the fees of the several officers and persons therein named," except the first item in jurors' fees, in which amendment they refuse to concur—and then he withdrew—and the house proceeded to consider said amendment; and, on motion, ordered, that this house recede from said amendment.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Daniel,

Ordered, That the vote taken on yesterday, postponing the further consideration of the bill for the relief of John Hurst, jr. late sheriff of Harrison County, be reconsidered; and, on motion of Mr. Daniel, the said bill was then read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to morrow.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported, that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill entitled, "an act authorising Tabitha Armstrong and Henry Morton to sell and convey certain lots in the town

of Bethlehem';—the enrolled bill entitled, 'an act directing the mode of proceeding in impeachments';—the enrolled bill entitled, 'an act concerning firing of woods, prairies and other lands'—and found the same truly enrolled; whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Wilroy, from the committee appointed for that purpose, reported a bill regulating the compensation of the members and officers of this General Assembly, which was read the first time; and, on motion, the same was read a second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house on Saturday next.

The bill from the senate entitled, "an act establishing the office and defining the duties of Notary Public," was taken up and read the second time, and ordered to be read a third time to morrow.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker—The senate insist on their amendments made in the ninth line of the first section and in the latter part of the fourth section of the bill from this house entitled, "an act regulating divorces:"

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke.

Mr Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house entitled, "an act to prevent frauds and perjuries," without amendment.

The house, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill providing for the assessing and collecting of revenue, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Ferguson reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again: whereupon leave was given.

And then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

Leave was given to withdraw the petition of George White, and the accompanying documents, on the subject of a ferry across the Ohio, at Jeffersonville.

On motion,

The house again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill providing for the assessing and collecting of revenue, and after some time spent therein, Mr.

Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Ferguson reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had gone thro' the same, and had made several amendments thereto; to which they desire the concurrence of the house.

On motion,

The house concurred in said amendments generally.

Mr. Milroy then moved to amend said bill by inserting at the end of the ninth section thereof, these words: *"every attorney and counsellor at law, while he continues to practice as such, five dollars per annum, to be paid into the county treasury, and to be appropriated to the payment of grand jurors in the proper county"* And on the question shall the said bill be so amended? it was decided in the negative: and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Milroy and Boon, the votes were as follows;

YEAS,	NAYS,	
Messrs. Campbell,	Messrs. Boon,	Graham,
Little,	Bryson,	Hill,
M'Clure,	Buntin,	Holman,
Milroy,	Carr,	Hunt,
Stevens,	Chambers,	Littell,
Sullivan,	Conner,	Lynn.
and	Cotton,	Powell,
Lane, (Sp.)—7.	Daniel,	Scott,
	Dunn,	Snowden &
	Ferguson,	Zenor.—20.

Mr. Sullivan then moved to amend the 32d section of said bill by striking out the words, *"for state purposes"* And on the question, shall the said bill be so amended? it was decided in the negative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Sullivan and Daniel, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,	
Messrs. Buntin,	Messrs. Boon,	Holman,
Ferguson,	Bryson,	Hunt,
Hill,	Carr,	Little,
Lynn,	Campbell,	Littell,
M'Clure,	Chambers,	Milroy,
and	Conner,	Powell,
Sullivan.—	Cotton,	Scott,
	Daniel,	Snowden,
	Dunn,	Stevens,
	Graham,	Zenor, &
		Lane, Sp—21.

Mr. Sullivan then moved to amend said bill by striking out of the nineteenth section thereof, which relates to the commission allowed to sheriffs, the word 'six' & insert in lieu thereof the word 'nine,' & on the question, shall the said bill be so amended? It was decided in the negative, and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Boon and Sullivan, the votes were as follows:

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Buntin,	Messrs, Beggs,
Carr,	Boon,
Campbell,	Bryson,
Chambers,	Daniel,
Conner,	Dunn,
Cotton,	Hill,
Ferguson,	Holman,
Graham,	Hunt,
Little,	Milroy,
Littell,	Powell,
Lynn,	Scott,
M'Clure,	Snowden,
Slaughter,	Stevens,
and	Z nor and
Sullivan.—14.	Lane, Speaker.—15.

Mr. Graham then moved to amend said section by striking out the word 'six' and inserting in lieu thereof the word 'eight,' which motion was decided in the negative.

Mr. Milroy then moved to amend said section by striking out the word 'six' and inserting in lieu thereof the word 'seven,' which motion was decided in the negative.

Mr. Sullivan then moved to strike out of the ninth section of said bill these words, "*for every bond servant five, dollars for state purposes,*" which motion was decided in the negative.

Mr. Sullivan then moved to amend said bill by striking out the word "*township,*" throughout the bill, and inserting in lieu thereof, the word "*county,*" and on the question, shall the said bill be so amended? It was decided in the affirmative, and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Sullivan and Hunt, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,	Messrs. Boon,
Buntin,	Byson,
Chambers,	Carr,
Conner,	Campbell,
Cotton,	Daniel,
Dunn,	Hill,
Ferguson,	Holman,
Graham,	Little,
Hunt,	Littell,
Lynn,	Milroy,
M'Clure,	Powell,
Slaughter,	Scott,
Sullivan,	Snowden,
Z. nor and	and
Lane, (Speaker)—15.	Stevens—14.

On motion,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Saturday next.

The bill from the senate, entitled 'an act regulating prisons and prison bounds,' was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill for attaching a part of the county of Harrison to the county of Orange, and for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Harrison, Orange and Perry, Mr. Scott in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Scott reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again: whereupon leave was given.

On motion of Mr. Hunt,

The committee of the whole, to whom was refered the bill from the senate, entitled 'an act concerning estrays and water crafts going adrift,' were discharged from a further consideration of the same; and on motion, the said bill was then taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled 'an act concerning debtors and their securities, and to impower securities to recover damages in a summary way,' to which bill they have made several a-

mendments, in which they desire the concurrence of this house; and then he withdrew. And the said amendments were taken up and read, and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the senate by *Mr* Polke,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill, entitled 'an act to prevent trespassing by cutting of timber,' to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill from the senate, entitled 'an act regulating the duties of sheriffs and coroners,' *Mr* Chambers in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Chambers reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

On motion,

The said bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill from the senate, entitled 'an act for the relief of the poor,' and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Dunn reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house: which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house, except the one made in the third line of the tenth section of said bill.

On motion of *Mr.* Stevens,

Ordered, That said bill be read the third time to-morrow.

And then the house adjourned for one hour and a quarter.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The house, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill for attaching a part of the county of Harrison to the county of Orange, and for the formation of a new county out of the counties of

Harrison, Orange and Perry, Mr. Scott in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Scott reported, that the committee of the whole had according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house.

On motion, the house concurred in said amendments.

Mr Milroy then moved that the further consideration of said bill be indefinitely postponed, and on that question, it was decided in the negative, and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. M'Clure and Chambers, the votes were as follows :—Messsrs Hunt, Milroy & Snowden voted in the affirmative, and all the rest of the members voted in the negative.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill for the relief of the heirs of Henry Vanderburgh decd and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Graham reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made one amendment to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house ; which amendment he handed in at the clerk's table, where it was again read and concurred in by the house

On motion, the said bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled 'an act for the relief of the heirs of Henry Vanderburgh decd.'

Ordered, That Mr. Buntin inform the senate thereof and desire their concurrence therein.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill from the senate, entitled 'an act regulating weights and measures,' and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Sullivan reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made an amendment to the same, in which they desire the concurrence of the house.

On motion, the house concurred in said amendment.

On motion, the said bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the senate thereof.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

FRIDAY, Jan. 16.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill from the senate, entitled 'an act to prevent trespassing by cutting of timber,' was taken up and read the first time, and on motion, the same was read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house on to-morrow.

A message from the senate by Mr. Doty,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that the senate refuse to concur in the amendment made by the house of representatives in the tenth line of the second section of the bill from the senate, entitled 'an act regulating the duties of sheriffs and coroners."

The senate have passed the bill, which originated in the house of representatives, entitled 'an act concerning enclosures,' with some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house;—and they have concurred in the amendment made by the house of representatives to the bill from the senate, entitled 'an act regulating estrays and water crafts going adrift.'

Mr. Powell entered the following protest against the decision of the house on yesterday, on the motion to postpone indefinitely, the consideration of the petition of sundry inhabitants of Dearborn county, praying for a removal of the seat of justice of said county from Lawrenceburgh:

"1*st*. I protest against the decision of the house, because in my opinion, it is manifestly repugnant to the known customary rules of this house, on the reception of petitions of a similar nature, and well calculated to deter the citizens of any county in our state from petitioning for a redress of grievances, let their numbers be ever so great, or their burthens ever so intolerable.

2*d*. I moreover protest, because I consider the indefinite postponement as a direct and positive denial of justice, by refusing an investigation of the prayer of the petitioners, and well calculated to embarrass and thwart the true spirit and meaning of the constitution of our state, which secures to all classes of citizens the right of petitioning.

3d. I protest because I consider that it is an incumbent duty on the Legislature of this state to treat the prayer of all petitioners with respect, by at least giving the subject an investigation, which in the present case was not done, for I firmly believe that a bare reading is not an investigation.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill to incorporate the Ohio Canal Company, Mr. Boon in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Boon reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again; whereupon leave was given.

And then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Milroy presented the petition of Zacharias Lindley, sheriff of Orange county, praying certain relief; which was read, and on motion of Mr. Milroy, the said petition, together with the bill for the relief of Noah Wright, sheriff of Washington county, was refered to a select committee, with leave to report by bill or otherwise: and thereupon Messrs. Milroy, Chambers, Little, Graham, Powell, Beggs and Dunn were appointed that committee.

The house, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill to incorporate the Ohio Canal Company, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Boon reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, desire leave to sit again; whereupon leave was given.

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled 'an act for the relief of insolvent debtors,' and have made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill, regulating the granting of letters testamentary and letters of administration for the

settlement of testate and intestate estates, Mr. Little in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Little reported, that the committee of the whol had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house.

On motion, the house concurred in said amendments.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington,

Mr. Speaker— The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled 'an act regulating arbitrations,' and have made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker— The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled 'an act to prevent non residents from bringing horses, cattle and hogs into this state and turning them into the range,' and have made some amendments to the same, in which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The bill to reduce into one, all the acts and parts of acts on the subject of crime and punishment, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, that said bill be entitled 'an act to reduce into one, the several acts on the subject of crime and punishment:'

Ordered, that Mr. Daniel inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

Mr. Little obtained leave of absence until Monday next. And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning, nine o'clock.

SATURDAY, Jan. 17.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Mulroy gave notice that he would, on Monday next, move for leave to bring in a bill, providing for the distribution of the laws and journals of the present session of the general assembly.

The amendments made by the senate, to the bill from this house, entitled 'an act to prevent non residents from bringing horses, cattle and hogs into this state and turning them into the range,' were taken up and read and concurred in by this house.

Ordered, that Mr. Conner inform the senate thereof.

The amendments made by the senate, to the bill from this house, entitled 'an act authorising and regulating arbitrations,' were taken up and read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, that the Clerk inform the senate thereof.

The house proceeded to consider their amendments made in the tenth line of the second section of the bill from the senate, entitled 'an act regulating the duties of sheriffs and coroners,' which was not concurred in by the senate; and on motion, ordered that this house recede from said amendment.

Ordered, that the Clerk inform the senate thereof.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house, entitled 'an act regulating enclosures,' was taken up and read, and concurred in by this house.

Ordered, that Mr. Zenor inform the senate thereof.

A message from the Governor by Mr. New,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor, to inform this house, that he did, on the 14th inst. approve and sign a joint Resolution to cause the acts passed at the present session, to be printed in the most speedy manner.

The amendments made by the senate, to the bill from this house, entitled 'an act concerning insolvent debtors,' were taken up and read, and concurred in by this house, except the one made in the second line of the second section, by striking out the word *'for'* and inserting in lieu thereof the word *'or,'* and the one made in the tenth line of the 6th section thereof, by striking out the word *'and'* and inserting in lieu thereof the word *'or'*

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported, that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled 'an act defining the duties of recorder and pointing out the way of conveying real estate;' and the enrolled bill, entitled 'an act to authorise Paxton W. Todd to build a toll bridge across Indian creek,' and had found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, that the Clerk inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee appointed to bring in a bill to divide the state into a suitable number of Cir-

cuits, and fixing the times of holding courts therein, reported a bill for that purpose; which was read the first time, and *Mr.* Hunt then moved, that the further consideration of said bill be indefinitely postponed, which motion was decided in the negative.

On motion,

The said bill was then read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole on Monday next.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill, entitled 'an act supplementary to an act, to regulate and establish Ferries,' to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill regulating public roads and highways, Mr. Hill in the chair and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hill reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house:—The first amendmendment to said bill was made in committee of the whole by striking it out from the enacting clause, and inserting in lieu thereof the act of the last session of the General Assembly entitled, "an act regulating public roads and highways"; in which amendment the house concurred:—the next amendment was made in committee of the whole by striking out the word "*eighteen*," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "*twenty one*"; and on the question of concurrence in this amendment? it was decided in the affirmative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by two members, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,
Messrs. Bryson,	Messrs. Beggs,
Bostin,	Boon,
Carr,	Chambers,
Conner,	Campbell,
Ferguson,	Cotton,
Hill,	Daniel,
Holman,	Dunn,
Littell,	Graham,
Lynn,	Hunt,
Powell,	M'Clure,
Scott,	Milroy,
Snowden,	Slaughter,
Stevens,	and
Sullivan, and	Zenor—13.
Lane, (Speaker,)—13.	

The next amendment made in committee of the whole was by striking out the words "*under fifty*"—and on the question, will the house concur in said amendment? it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Powell then moved to amend said bill in that part of it which relates to the number of days, which each person, liable to work on the public roads, is bound to perform, by inserting the following provision: *Provided, however*, that each and every person, who may be liable to work on the public highway, shall be bound to perform any number of days labour thereon, not exceeding six, nor less than three, to be assessed by the county commissioners at the spring session, according to the list of their taxable property respectively; and on the question, shall the bill be so amended? it was decided in the negative: and the yeas and nays being demanded by two members, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,	
Messrs. Bryson,	Messrs. Beggs,	Holman,
Carr,	Boon,	Lyon,
Cotton,	Buntin,	M'Clure,
Ferguson,	Campbell,	Milroy,
Hunt,	Chambers,	Scott,
Littell,	Conner,	Snowden,
Powell,	Daniel,	Slaughter,
Stevens,	Dunn,	and
Zinor	Graham,	Sullivan,—18.
and	Hill,	
Lane, (Sp.)—10		

On motion of Mr. Milroy,

The further consideration of said bill was then indefinitely postponed.

A message from the senate by Mr. Montgomery.

Mr. Speaker—the senate have passed the bill from this house entitled, "an act for the relief of sundry inhabitants of Perry County," and have made some amendments to the same; to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

A message from the senate by Mr. Doty.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have receded from their amendments which were not concurred in by this house, to the bill which originated in this house entitled, "an act for the relief of insolvent debtors."

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house entitled, "an act to prevent waste on lands re-

served for the use of schools and salt springs," and have made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house; and then he withdrew: and the said amendments were taken up and read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Powell inform the senate thereof.

The bill, from the senate, entitled, "an act to establish and regulate ferries," was taken up and read the first time and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

And then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill regulating the granting of letters testamentary and letters of administration, was taken up, and, on motion of Mr. Dunn, the said bill was recommitted to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for this day: and, on motion, the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on said bill, Mr Zenor in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Zenor reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made no further amendments to said bill, and had directed him to report said bill without amendments.

Mr. Sullivan then moved to amend said bill by adding another section thereto; which section is in the following words:

"Sec.——Where any person has or hereafter shall die testate, and no one comes forward within six months after the death of any testator, to take out letters testamentary or letters of administration with the will annexed, then it shall be the duty of the clerk of the Circuit Court, upon the application of any creditor of the testator, to give two months notice, that, unless the executors named in the last will and testament, comes forward to take out letters testamentary, the aforesaid judges will, at their next succeeding term, direct and command the sheriff to take out letters of administration, with the will annexed, and settle the estate of the testator, according to law. And it is hereby made the duty of every sheriff in his proper county, when commanded by the associate judges, to take out letters of administration with the will annexed, and proceed to settle the estate according to law: *Provided, how-*

ever, the sheriff, when it is made his duty to take out letters testamentary, shall give such security as the law requires." And on the question, shall the bill be so amended? it was decided in the negative.

On motion,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Monday next.

On motion,

Ordered, That the committee for enrolled bills on the part of this house be authorized to employ an assistant enrolling clerk, to assist the clerks of this house in enrolling and engrossing, so long as they may deem his services necessary.

The bill from the senate entitled, "an act for the relief of the poor," was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The house, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill to incorporate the Ohio Canal company, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Milroy reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made several amendments to the same: to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read & concurred in by the house: and on the question of concurrence in the amendment made in committee of the whole to the sixteenth section of said bill, the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Hunt and Sullivan, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,		NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,	Bryson,	Hunt,
Boon,	Bunin,	Milroy,
Carr,	Holman,	and
Cotton,	Lynn,	M'Clure—3.
Campbell,	Stevens,	
Conner,	Scott,	
Dunn,	Snowdon,	
Ferguson,	Sullivan,	
Graham,	Powell.	
Chambers,	Zenor, &	
	Lane, Sp.—21.	

On motion,

Ordered, that said bill be engrossed and read a third

time on Monday next.

The bill for attaching a part of the county of Harrison to the county of Orange, & for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Orange, Harrison and Perry, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. Conner, the same was re-committed to a select committee of Messrs. Conner, Zenor, Littell, Slaughter, Chambers, Campbell and Beggs, with leave to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

The bill to authorize the agent of Warrick county, to re-convey to Hugh M'Gary a certain tract of land at the town of Evansville, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Doty.

Mr. Speaker.—The senate have concurred in the amendments made by this house to the bill from the senate entitled, "an act for the relief of the poor."

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill to authorise Morgan Eaton and William Ledgerwood to erect a toll bridge over Bosserean creek, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Cotton reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house.

On motion,

The house concurred in said amendments.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Monday next.

The bill from the senate, entitled, "an act establishing the office and defining the duties of Notary Public," was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill for the relief of sundry suitors in the late General Court of Knox County, Mr. Littell in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Littell reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same; to which they desire the concurrence of the house; and, on motion, the house concurred in said amendments.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time on *Monday* next.

The bill, from the senate, entitled. "an act providing for the recording of town plats," was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The house, acording to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill from the senate entitled, "an act to prevent trespassing by cutting of timber," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hunt reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made no amendment to the same, and directed him to report said bill without amendment.

On motion,

The said bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill from the senate, entitled, "an act for the appointment of constables and regulating their duties," Mr. Carr in the chair, and after some time spent thererein. Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Carr reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made no amendment to the same, and directed him to report said bill without amendment.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

MONDAY, Jan. 19.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Conner, from the select committee to whom was refered the bill for attaching a part of the county of Harrison to the county of Orange, and for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Orange, Harrison and Perry, reported said bill with some amendments thereto, which bill as amended was then read the first and second times and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled, "an act regulating the duties and jurisdiction of justices of the peace," and have made some a-

menduments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house;—The senate have also passed a bill entitled, "an act regulating public seminaries," to which they desire the concurrence of this house; and then he withdrew; and the said bill was then taken up and read the first and second times and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. *Milroy*, agreeably to notice and leave given, introduced a bill providing for the distributing of the acts and journals of the General Assembly, which was read the first time; and on motion, the same was read a second time and committed to a committee of the whole house and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

A message from the senate by by Mr. Ferris.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have come to the following order. "*Ordered*, that the senate inform the house of representatives that the chairman of the committee appointed by the senate when setting in conclave has notified them that said committee is now ready to report, and request that the lobby of the house of representatives be cleared, and the doors closed, until the said report be received; and then he withdrew;—and on motion of *Mr.* Stevens, the lobby was cleared and the doors closed, and the senate informed thereof, and after some time the doors were opened.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported, that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill entitled, "an act regulating the fees of the several officers and persons therein named";—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act concerning clerks";—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act regulating the interest of money in the state of Indiana";—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act regulating weights and measures";—the enrolled bill entitled "an act for the formation of a new county out of the county of Sullivan,"—and the enrolled bill entitled, "an act regulating prisons and prison bounds,"—and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the senate thereof.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house entitled, "an act regulating the duties and jurisdiction of justices of the peace," were taken up and severally read and concurred in by the house; and on the

question of concurrence to the amendment made by the senate to the 18th section of said bill by striking out the words "*or demand*;" the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Sullivan and Powell, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,	Buntin,
Boon,	Conner,
Bryson,	Cotton,
Carr,	Daniel,
Campbell,	Ferguson,
Chambers,	Lynn,
Dunn,	M'Clure,
Graham,	Snowden,
Hill,	Stevens,
Holman,	Sullivan, and
Hunt,	Lane, (Speaker.)—11.
Milroy,	
Powell,	
Scott,	
and Zenor—15.	

Ordered, That the clerk inform the senate thereof

The bill from the senate entitled, "an act supplemental to an act to regulate and establish ferries," was taken up and read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house on to-morrow.

The bill from the senate entitled, "an act for the appointment of constables and regulating their duties was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Holman inform the senate thereof.

And then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill authorising the enclosing of the lower and cathlenettes prairies, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act to authorise the enclosing of the lower and cathlenettes prairies."

Ordered, That Mr. Buntin inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, made the following report:

Mr. Speaker—Your committee for enrolled bills, in pursuance of a resolution of this house on Saturday last, have appointed Henry Hurst, assistant enrolling and engrossing clerk to assist the clerks of this house in enrol-

ling and engrossing, so long as his services may be deemed necessary—in which report the house concurred.

Whereupon Mr. Hurst came in and was sworn into office.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill concerning insane persons, Mr. Powell in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and Mr. Powell reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made no amendment to the same, and directed him to report the same without amendment.

On motion, the said bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Milroy gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill to amend the act entitled, "an act more effectually to prevent duelling.',

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill regulating proceedings in suit at law and in chancery, Mr. Milroy in the chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Milroy reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house, which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read, and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, that said bill be engrossed for a third reading on to-morrow.

Mr. Daniel from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act establishing the office and defining the duties of notary public:'—the enrolled bill, entitled 'an act for recording of town plats;' and the enrolled bill, entitled 'an act to prevent trespassing by cutting of timber,' and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the senate thereof.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill from the senate, entitled 'an act to prevent hawkers and pedlars from selling without licence within this state,' and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr M'Clure

reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had gone through the same, and had made no amendment thereto, and directed him to report the same without amendment.

On motion of MR. CARR,

The further consideration of said bill was indefinitely postponed.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill for the relief of John Hurst, junr. late sheriff of Harrison county, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and MR. FERGUSON reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had gone through the same, and had made no amendment to said bill, and directed him to report the same without amendment.

MR. STEVENS then moved that the further consideration of said bill be indefinitely postponed, which motion was decided in the negative.

The said bill was then read the third time and passed, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Stevens and M'Clure, the votes were as follows;

YEAS,		NAYS.	
Messrs. Beggs,	Holman,	Messrs. Bryson,	
Boon,	Hunt,	Dunn,	
Carr,	Lynn,	Ferguson,	
Campbell,	Milroy,	Hill,	
Chambers,	Scott,	M'Clure,	
Conner,	Sullivan,	Powell,	
Cotton,	Zenor,	Snowden	
Daniel,	and	and	
Graham,	Lane, Speaker—17	Stevens.—8.	

Ordered, That MR. ZENOR inform the senate thereof.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill, regulating grist mills and millers, MR. CONNER in the chair, and after some time spent therein, MR. SPEAKER resumed the chair, and MR. CONNER reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again

read and concurred in by the house. The said bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That MR. DUNN inform the senate thereof.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill for the election of certain officers in certain cases, and after some time spent therein, MR. Speaker resumed the chair, and MR. HUNT reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, that said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill, fixing the salaries of certain officers, and for other purposes, and after some time spent therein, MR. Speaker resumed the chair, and MR. SNOWDEN reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, that said bill be engrossed and read a third time on Wednesday next.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill to continue the courts for the county of Sullivan, at the town of Carlisle, and after some time spent therein, MR. Speaker resumed the chair, and MR. DUNN reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had gone through the same, had made no amendment thereto, and directed him to report the same without amendment.

On motion of MR. STEVENS,

The further consideration of said bill was indefinitely postponed.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the report of the select committee, to whom was refered sundry petitions on the subject of the abolition of slavery, and after some time spent therein, MR. Speaker resumed the chair, and MR. DANIEL re-

ported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said report under consideration, and had made no amendment thereto, and directed him to report the same without amendment.

On motion of MR. BOON,

The further consideration of said report was indefinitely postponed.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill, regulating the mode of summoning and empannelling of Grand and Petit Jurors, and after some time spent therein, MR. Speaker resumed the chair, and MR. Bryson reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again.

On motion of MR. Stevens

Ordered, that said bill be re committed to a select committee, with leave to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning, nine o'clock.

TUESDAY, Jan. 20.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

MR. *Milroy* presented the petition of Benjamin Newkirk and others of Jackson county, praying that a part of said county may be stricken off and attached to the county of Lawrence; which motion was read, and on motion, referred to a select committee of messrs. Milroy, Little, Chambers, Graham and Slaughter, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

MR. Sullivan, from the committee of ways and means, reported, that said committee had had the claim of Jas. Scott against the state, under consideration, and were of opinion that the same or a part thereof ought to be paid, and that said committee would recommend to the house, to refer said claim to the committee appointed to bring in a bill making specific appropriations, &c. In which report the house concurred.

Mr. Slaughter, from the select committee on the subject of Navigation, reported a bill declaring big Blue river a navigable stream; which was read the first time, and on motion, the further consideration of said bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act regulating the duties of sheriffs and coroners;" and the enrolled bill, entitled "an act regulating estrays and water crafts;" and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, that the Clerk inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee appointed for that purpose, reported a bill for the formation of a new county, out of the counties of Sullivan and Davies, and attaching the same to the county of *Mon*roe; which was read the first time, and on motion, the same was read a second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

*Mr. Mil*roy, from the select committee to whom was refered the petition of Zacharias Lindley, sheriff of Orange county, as also the bill for the relief of Noah Wright, sheriff of Washington county, reported said bill with several amendments: which was read the first time, and on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Sullivan, from the select committee, to whom was refered the bill providing for county surveyors and their deputies, reported said bill with several amendments thereto; which was read the first time, and on motion, said bill was read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. M'Clure, agreeably to notice and leave given, introduced a bill to attach the town of Liverpool to the twon of Washington, in the county of Davies: which was read the first time, and on motion, the same was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Boon,

Resolved, that no new business be received in this house after Thursday next, unless two thirds of the members thereof agree thereto.

On motion of Mr. Stevens,

Ordered, that a committee of free conference be appointed to act in conjunction with a similar committee on the part of the senate, on the difference between the two hou-

ges, on the amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house, entitled "an act regulating divorces;" and thereupon Messrs. Stevens and Daniel were appointed that committee.

Ordered, that the senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that said committee did, on this day, present to his Excellency the Governor, for his approval and signature, the following enrolled bills, entitled acts, to wit:

An act regulating the fees of the several officers and persons therein named;—An act against forcible entry and detainer;—An act regulating the firing of woods, prairies and other lands;—An act for recording of town plats;—An act legalizing the proceedings of boards of county commissioners in certain cases;—An act directing the mode of proceeding in impeachments;—An act regulating waits and measures;—An act regulating prisons and prison bounds;—An act regulating the interest of money;—An act concerning debtors and their securities;—An act defining the duties of recorder and pointing out the mode of conveying real estate;—An act establishing the office and defining the duties of notary public;—An act to prevent trespassing by cutting of timber;—An act concerning clerks;—An act for the formation of a new county out of the county of Sullivan;—An act authorising Paxton W. Todd to erect a toll bridge across Indian creek;—An act authorising Tabitha Armstrong and Henry Morton to sell and convey certain lots, &c.

The bill from the senate, entitled "an act supplementary to the act, regulating and establishing ferries," was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, that Mr. Carr inform the senate thereof.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill from the senate, entitled "an act regulating public Seminaries," and after some time spent therein, *Mr.* Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr Beggs reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; and on motion, the house concurred in said amendments.

Ordered, that said bill be read a third time to morrow.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole

bill for attaching a part of the county of Harrison to the county of Orange, and for the formation of a new county out of Harrison, Orange and Perry, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stevens reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house: on motion, the house concurred in said amendments.

Ordered, that said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Stevens,

The committee of the whole, to whom was refered the report of the select committee, on the subject of a public road from Brookville to Terre Haut on the Wabash, were discharged from a further consideration of said report; and on motion, the further consideration of said report was postponed until the first Monday in December next.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill, providing for the distributing of the acts and journals of the general assembly, and after some time spent therein. Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Powell reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, desire leave to sit again; whereupon leave was given.

A message was received from the Governor in writing, which was read, and is as follows:

To the Senate and House of Representatives,

Owing to a want of Legislative provision for the examining and determining of contested elections for county and township officers, unavoidably it become my duty to commission certain county officers in the county of Posey, who, although returned as duly elected, did not receive a majority of the votes at their election, by reason of the polls of one township not having been received within the time required by law. Conceiving it to be a fundamental principle of our government, that no man should hold an elective office, who has not received a majority of qualified votes given at any such election, & that all elections which have not been 'free & equal,' should be declared void; I re-

commend therefore, an examination into the legality, corruption or the contrary, with which the election & return for county officers has been held & made in said county of Posey, on the first Monday of February last, & if made void, that legislative provision be made for a special election in said county.

JONATHAN JENNINGS.

On motion,

The said communication was refered to a select committee of Messrs. Sullivan, Lynn, Conner, Boon and Zenor, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill dividing the state into circuits and fixing the times of holding courts therein, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Holman reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein, but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again : on motion, the committee of the whole were discharged from a further consideration of said bill, and the same was re-committed to a select committee of Messrs. Buntin, Boon, Beggs, Milroy and Powell, with leave to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

And then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the joint resolution respecting the Medical Society, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Carr reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said resolution under consideration, and had gone through the same, and made no amendment thereto, and directed him to report the same without amendment.

Ordered, that said resolution be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Milroy gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill to amend the act, regulating the Medical Society.

A message from the senate by Mr. Conner,

Mr. Spraker—The senate have concurred in all the amendments made by this house, to the bill from the senate,

entitled "an act regulating grist mills and millers," except the one made in the latter part of the 3d section of said bill; and then he withdrew—and the house proceeded to consider their said amendment; and a motion was then made, that this house recede from said amendment, which motion was decided in the negative.

On motion,

Ordered, that Mr. Boon inform the senate that this house adhere to their said amendment.

On motion,

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill for the relief of Abigail Dickison, administratrix of Ebenezer Dickison, deceased, and after some time spent therein, mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and mr. milroy reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurence of the house; which amendment he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in bythe house.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

A message from the senate by mr. Polke.

mr. Speaker.—The senate have passed a bill entitled, "an act for the safe keeping of prisoners committed under the authority of the United states into any of the jails of this state, and for other purposes;" to which they desire the concurrence of this house; and then he withdrew: and the said bill was taken up and read the first time and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

On motion of mr. Boon,

The bill providing for the three per cent. of the nett proceeds of certain lands in this state was indefinitely postponed.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill making bonds, bills and promissory notes negotiable and assignable, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Dunn reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein; but not having had time to go through the same, they desire leave to sit again: whereupon leave was given.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the joint resolution providing for the printing of the constitution and laws of this state, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr Bryson reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said resolution under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That said resolution be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

The bill to incorporate the Ohio Canal Company, was taken up and Mr. Milroy moved, that the further consideration of said bill be postponed until the first Monday in December next, and on that question, the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Hunt and Milroy, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,		NAYS,	
Messrs. Boon,	Messrs.	Beggs,	Graham,
Hunt,		Bryson,	Hill,
Little,		Buntin,	Holman,
M'Clure,		Carr,	Lyon,
Milroy,		Chambers,	Powell,
and		Campbell,	Scott,
Sullivan,—6.		Conner,	Snowden,
		Cotton,	Stevens,
		Daniel,	Slaughter,
		Doan,	Zuver,
		Ferguson,	and
			Lane, (Sp.)—23.

And then the house adjourned for two hours.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill providing for the assessing and collecting revenue, was taken up and read the third time and passed

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act providing for the assessing and collecting revenue."

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

And the house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 21.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported, that said committee had examined the enrolled bill entitled, "an act to incorporate the Indiana Church";—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for the appointment of constables and defining their duties";—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act concerning insane persons";—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act regulating the admission and practice of attornies and counsellors at law";—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act providing for the support of illegitimate children";—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act concerning vagrants";—and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Hunt inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Dunn, from the select committee to whom was refered the petition of John Vawter, on the subject of appropriating a part of the three per cent. fund in opening a public road from Madison to Vernon, and from Vernon to Brookville and Brownstown, reported, that said committee had had the said petition under consideration, and were of opinion that it would be inexpedient at this time to make such appropriation; in which report the house concurred.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have appointed Messrs. Paul and Ferris a committee of conference on their part, to confer with the committee appointed on the part of the house of representatives on the disagreement of the two houses on the amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house regulating divorces.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee appointed to bring in a bill making appropiations for the year 1818, reported a bill for that purpose; which was read the first time; and, on motion, the said bill was read a second time and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for this day.

Mr. Milroy, from the committee to whom was refered the petition of Benjamin Newkirk and others, praying that a part of Jackson county may be attached to the county of Lawrence, reported a bill for that purpose; which was read the first and second times, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for this day.

Mr. Milroy, agreeably to notice, asked leave to introduce a bill to amend the act entitled, "an act more effectu-

ally to prevent duelling;" which leave was refused.

Mr. Milroy then, agreeable to notice and leave given, introduced a bill to amend the act entitled, "an act regulating the practice of physic and surgery;" which was read the first time, and on motion, the said bill was read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for this day.

Mr. Buntin, from the committee to whom was refered the bill dividing the state into circuits, and fixing the times of holding courts therein, reported said bill without amendment; and on motion said bill was committed to a committee of the whole house and made the order of the day for this day.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee of conference on the disagreement of the two houses, on the subject of the amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house entitled, "an act regulating divorces," reported, that the said committee had had the same under consideration, and had agreed unanimously that the senate shall recede from their said amendments.

On motion,

The house concurred in said report.

Ordered, That Mr. Stevens inform the senate thereof.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill to divide the state into circuits and fixing the times of holding courts therein, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hill reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some progress therein; but not having had time to go through the same they desire leave to sit again: whereupon leave was given.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee to whom was refered the petition of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Sullivan and Davies, praying for the formation of a new county out of said counties, reported a bill for the formation of a new county out of the said counties of Sullivan and Davies, and for attaching the same to the county of Davies; which was read the first time, and on motion, the said bill was read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for this day.

And the house adjourned for two hours.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The house, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill dividing the state into circuits, and fixing the times of holding courts therein, and after some time spent therein, *Mr.* Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hill reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill again under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same; to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk,s table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

A message from the Governor by *Mr.* New.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor to inform this house that he did, on this day, approve and sign the following enrolled bills, entitled 'acts;' to wit:

An act legalizing the proceedings of boards of County Commissioners in certain cases.

An act defining the duties of recorder, and pointing out the mode of conveying real estate.

An act against forcible entry and detainer.

An act for the formation of a new county out of the county of Sullivan.

An act authorising Tabitha Armstrong and Henry Morton, to sell and convey certain lots &c.

An act concerning debtors and their securities.

An act directing the mode of proceeding in impeachment.

An act concerning clerks.

An act regulating the interest of money in the state of Indiana.

An act regulating the firing of woods, prairies and other lands—and

An act to authorise Paxton W. Todd, to build a toll bridge across Indian Creek.

The bill from the senate entitled, "an act for the safe keeping of prisoners committed under the authority of the United States into any of the jails of this state," was taken up and read the second time; and, on motion, the same was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the senate thereof.

The bill from the senate entitled, "an act providing for public seminaries.," was read the third time, when, on motion of *Mr.* Cotton, the said bill was amended by adding the following clause to the latter part of said bill, which amendment is in these words :

"The act heretofore passed to incorporate a seminary in the town of Vevay be, and the same is hereby repealed, and all money, rights, credits or other property whatever, are hereby transferred into the hands of the trustees under this act for the use of said Seminary.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill for the relief of certain sheriffs therein named, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Little reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments be handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concured in by the house.

Ordered. That said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill providing for the printing and distributing of the acts and journals of the General Assembly, and after some time spent therein. Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr Hunt reported, that the committee of the whole had, accor ing to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments be handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Mr. Boon then moved to amend said bill by striking out that part of it which provides that each member of this General Assembly shall be entitled to one copy of the Acts and one copy of the Journals of this General Assembly, which motion was decided in the negative, and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Boon and Sullivan, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,		NAYS,		
Messrs	Boon,	Messrs.	Beggs,	Holman,
	Buntin,		Bryson,	Hunt,
	Conner,		Carr,	Little,
	Dunn,		Campbell,	M'Clure,
	Lynn,		Chambers,	Milroy,
	Sullivan,		Cotton,	Powell,
	and		Daniel,	Snowden,
	Lane, Sp.—7.		Ferguson,	Stevens,
			Graham,	&
			Hill	'Slaughter.—19.

Ordered, that said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill to attach a part of the county of Jackson to the county of Lawrence, and after some time spent therein. Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stevens reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had gone through the same and made no amendment thereto, and directed him to report said bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Graham, the further consideration of said bill was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Hunt, the committee of the whole, to whom was refered the bill for the formation of a new county out of the county of Sullivan, and attaching the same to the county of Monroe, were discharged from the further consideration of the same—and on motion, ordered, that said bill be engrossed and read a third time to morrow.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill making appropriations for the year 1818, and after some time spent therein. Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Boon reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house.

On motion, The house concurred in said amendments.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time to morrow.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill making bonds, bills and promissory notes negotiable and assignable, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and

Mr. Dunn reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house.

On motion,

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

A message from the senate by Mr. Paul.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that the senate have concurred in the report of the committee of conference on the disagreement between the two houses, on the bill regulating divorces. I am also directed to inform this house, that the senate have passed the bill from this house entitled, "an act providing for assessing and collecting of revenue," and have made several amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house—and then he withdrew.

And then the house adjourned for two hours.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house entitled, 'an act providing for the assessing and collecting of revenue," were taken up and severally read and concurred in by this house, except the second amendment made to the seventh section; the amendments made to the ninth section; the amendment made in the latter part of the 11th section; the amendment made in the 12th section by striking out the words *'town lots'*; and the amendment made in the same section by striking out the words, *'one fourth,'* and inserting in lieu thereof, the words *'one half'*; the amendment made in the 23rd section by striking out the word *'six,'* and inserting in lieu thereof the word *'nine.'*

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The engrossed bill to incorporate the Ohio Canal Company, was taken up and read the third time and passed: and on the question, shall this bill pass? the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Hunt and Milroy, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,		NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,	Graham,	Messrs. Boon,
Bryson,	Hill,	Buntin,
Carr,	Holman,	Hunt,
Campbell,	Lyon,	Little
Chambers,	Powell,	M'Clure,
Conner,	Scott,	Milroy,
Cotton,	Snowden,	and
Daniel,	Stevens,	Sullivan,—7.
Dunn,	Slaughter,	
Ferguson,	Zenor, and	
	Lucas, (Sp.)—21.	

Ordered, that said bill be entitled, 'an act to incorporate the Jeffersonville Ohio Canal Company."

Ordered, That Mr. Ferguson inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow-morning nine o'clock.

THURSDAY, Jan. 22.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act for the relief of the poor;"—the enrolled bill, entitled "an act for the relief of John Horst, junr. late sheriff of Harrison county," and the enrolled bill entitled "an act, supplementary to an act to establish and regulate ferries," and found the same truly enrolled:—Whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, that the Clerk inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Milroy, from the committee of conference on the disagreement between the two houses, on the subject of the amendments made by this house, to the bill from the senate, entitled "an act regulating marriages," reported that the said committee had, according to order, had the same under consideration, and could not agree, and that said committee wished to be discharged from a further consideration of the same.

On motion,

Ordered, that said committee be discharged from a further consideration of the same.

On motion,

Ordered, that this house recede from their said amendments to said bill, and on that question, the yeas and nays

being demanded by Messrs. Conner and Milroy, the votes were as follows:

NAYS,	YEAS,
Messrs Biggs,	Messrs. Boon,
Carr,	Bryson,
Chambers,	Buntin,
Dunn,	Campbell,
Ferguson,	Conner,
Graham,	Cotton,
Hill,	Daniel,
Holman,	Little,
Hunt,	Milroy,
Powell,	Lyon,
Scott,	M'Clure,
Stevens,	Snowden,
Slaughter and	and
Lane, Speaker—14	Zevely,—13.

Ordered, that the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Depauw.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill, entitled "an act to licence and regulate taverns;" to which they desire the concurrence of this house. They have concurred in the amendments made by this house to the bill from the senate, entitled "an act respecting public seminaries" except the one made in the latter part of said bill; and then he withdrew.

And on motion,

Ordered, That this house recede from said amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Cotton inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have concurred in the report of the committee of conference on the bill, entitled 'an act regulating marriages.'

The bill from the senate, entitled 'an act to licence and regulate taverns,' was taken up and read the first time, and on motion, the same was read a second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house and made the order of the day for this day.

The engrossed bill for the relief of sundry suitors in the late General Court of Knox county, was taken up and read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act for the relief of sundry suitors in the late General Court of Knox county."

Ordered, That Mr. Buntin inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

The engrossed bill for attaching a part of the county of Harrison to the county of Orange, and for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Harrison, Orange and Perry, was taken up and read the third time, and Mr. Snowden then moved that the further consideration of said bill be postponed until the first Monday in December next; which motion was decided in the negative.

The bill was then put upon its final passage, and on that question, it was carried in the affirmative.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act."

Ordered, That Mr. Slaughter inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

The engrossed joint resolution providing for printing and distributing the acts and journals of this general assembly, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Chambers inform the senate thereof and desire their concurrence therein.

The engrossed bill providing for the election of certain officers in certain cases, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act for the election of certain officers in certain cases."

Ordered, That Mr. Carr inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

The engrossed bill for the relief of Abigail Dickinson, administratrix of Ebenezer Dickinson, decd. was taken up and read the third time, and on the question, shall this bill pass? It was decided in the negative.

The engrossed bill fixing the salaries of certain officers, and for other purposes, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act fixing the salaries of certain officers and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act reducing into one, all the acts and parts of acts on the subject of crime and punishment," and have made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The bill for attaching the town of Liverpool to the town

of Washington in the county of Davies, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act"

Ordered, That Mr. *M'*Clure inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

The bill for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Sullivan and Davies, and for other purposes, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That *Mr.* Buntin inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto.

The bill for the relief of the sheriffs therein named, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act."

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The engrossed joint resolution concerning the Medical Society, was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Slaughter inform the senate thereof, and request their concurrence therein.

A message from the senate by Mr. Montgomery,

Mr Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house that the President of the senate has signed the following enrolled bills, entitled "acts," to wit:—An act concerning insane persons:—An act for the appointment of constables and defining their duties:—An act for the support of illegitimate children:—An act regulating the admission and practice of attornies and counsellors at law;—An act regulating estrays and water crafts going adrift;—An act regulating the duties of sheriffs and coroners;—An act concerning vagrants; and an act to revive and amend the act, entitled an act to incorporate the Indiana Church; and then he withdrew.

And the house adjourned for one hour and a half.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee did on this day present to his Excellency the Governor, for his approval and signature, the following enrolled bills, entitled "acts," to wit: An act concerning insane persons;—An act for the appointment of constables and defining their duties;—An act regulating the admission and practice of attornies and counsellors at law;—An act regulating estrays and water crafts going adrift;—An act providing for the support of

illegitimate children ;—An act regulating the duties of sheriffs and coroners ;—An act concerning vagrants ; and an act to revive and amend the act, entitled an act to incorporate the Indiana Church.

A message from the senate by mr. Doty,

mr. Speaker—I am directed to inform this house, that the senate insist on their amendments in the 7th line of the 7th section, all the amendments in the 9th section, and their amendments in the 6th and 7th lines of the 12th section of the bill from the house of representatives, entitled "and act for assessing and collecting the revenue." The senate recede from their amendment made in the first line of the 23d section of said bill ; and then he withdrew.

The engrossed bill authorising the granting of letters testamentary and letters of administation for the settlement of testates and intestates estates, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act."

Ordered, That mr. Stevens inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein

The engrossed bill making bonds, bills and promissory notes negotiable and assignable, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act making bonds, bills & promissory notes negotiable and assignable.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The bill for the formation of a new county out of the county of Sullivan, and for attaching the same to the county of Monroe, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, that said bill be entitled "an act."

Ordered, that *Mr.* Buntin inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

The engrossed bill, authorising *Morgan* Eaton and William Ledgerwood to build a toll bridge across Busseroan creek, was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, that the senate be informed thereof.

The bill authorising the printing and distributing of the laws, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, that said bill be entitled "an act."

Ordered, that the Clerk inform the senate thereof.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill to licence and regulate

taverns, and after some time spent therein, *Mr.* Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Milroy reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Mr. Boon then moved to amend said bill by striking out the fifth section thereof; and on that question, the yeas and nays being demanded by *Mr*essrs. Boon and Daniel, it was decided in the negative, and the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,
Messrs. Boon,	Messrs. Beggs,
Buntin,	Bryson,
Conner,	Carr,
Cotton,	Campbell,
Daniel,	Chambers,
Graham,	Dunn,
Hunt,	Ferguson,
Littell,	Hill,
M'Clure,	Holman,
Slaughter,	Little,
Sullivan,	Lynn,
and	Milroy,
Zenor—12.	Powell,
	Scott,
	Snowden,
	Stevens and
	Lane, (Speaker.)—17.

Mr. Sullivan then moved to amend said bill, by striking out of the second section of said bill, these words, "provided such person so applying, shall produce the certificate of twelve respectable house holders, that such person is of good moral character, and that it would be for the benefit and convenience of travellers for such person to be licenced as aforesaid;" and on the question, shall the bill be so amended? It was decided in the negative.

Ordered, that said bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Chambers gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill to provide for taking the census in the year 1818.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill regulating the practice of physic and surgery, and after some time spent therein

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Graham reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had gone through the same, and made no amendment thereto, and directed him to report the same without amendment.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed for a third reading to-morrow.

And the house adjourned for one hour and an half.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ferguson having obtained leave, presented the petition of sundry mechanics of the town of New-Albany, praying an act giving mechanics and builders a lean on buildings by them erected, as a security for their labor; which was read, and Mr. Hunt moved, that the further consideration of the same be indefinitely postponed; which motion was decided in the negative.

Mr. Ferguson then moved that said petition be refered to a select committee, with leave to report thereon by bill or otherwise; which motion was decided in the negative. And the said petition was ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Stevens,

A committee of conference was appointed to confer with a similar committee which may be appointed on the part of the senate, on the disagreement of the two houses to the amendments made by the senate, to the bill from this house, entitled "an act for assessing and collecting the revenue;" and thereupon Messrs. Stevens and Dunn were appointed that committee.

Ordered, that Mr. Stevens inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Depauw,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have appointed messrs: Ferris and Depauw a committee of free conference on their part, on the disagreement between the two houses, on the bill for collecting the revenue.

The engrossed bill, organizing and regulating the militia, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, that said bill be entitled "an act to organize and regulate the militia."

Ordered, that Mr. Milroy inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Mr. Milroy having obtained leave, introduced a joint resolution providing for the printing of the militia law;

which was read the first time, and ordered to be read the second time to morrow. And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning, nine o'clock.

FRIDAY, Jan. 23.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Milroy having obtained leave, introduced a joint resolution providing for stitching and binding the acts of this general assembly; which was read and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

A message from the Governor by Mr. New,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor, to inform this house, that he did on the 22d inst approve and sign the following enrolled bills, entitled "act," to wit:—An act providing for the support of illegitimate children:—An act regulating the admission and practice of attornies and counsellors at law;—An act to revive and amend an act, entitled an act to incorporate the Indiana Church; and an act concerning vagrants.

Mr. Beggs having obtained leave, presented the petition of James Scribner and others, praying an act to incorporate the Presbyterian Church at Albany; which was read, and Mr. Beggs moved that the same be refered to a select committee, with leave to report by bill or otherwise; but before the question was taken thereon, a motion was made to postpone the consideration of said petition until the first monday in December next, and on that question, it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,

The vote given on yesterday, on the bill for the relief of Abigail Dickinson, administratrix of Ebenezer Dickinson decd. was reconsidered; and the question was then put, shall this bill pass? and on that question, it was carried in the affirmative.

Ordered, that said bill be entitled "an act."

Ordered, that Mr. Milroy inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Chambers, agreeably to notice, asked leave to introduce a bill providing for taking the census of the people of this state in the year 1818, which leave was refused.

The bill from the senate, entitled "an act to licence and regulate taverns," was taken up and read the third time and passed, and on the question of its passage, the yeas

and nays being demanded by Messrs. Buntin and Sullivan, the votes were as follows :

	YEAS,			NAYS,
Messrs.	Begs,	Holman,	Messrs.	Boon,
	Bryson,	Little,		Buntin,
	Carr,	Luttell,		Daniel,
	Campbell,	Lynn,		Graham,
	Chambers,	Powell,		Hunt,
	Cotton,	Scott,		M'Clure,
	Conner,	Snowden,		&
	Dunn,	Stevens,		Sullivan.—7.
	Ferguson,	Slaughter,		
	Hall,	Zenor and		
		Lane. Sp.—21.		

Ordered, that mr. Hunt inform the senate thereof.

The engrossed bill to divide the state into circuits and fixing the times of holding courts therein, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, that said bill be entitled "an act dividing the state into four circuits, and fixing the times of holding courts therein."

Ordered, that the senate be informed thereof.

The engrossed bill, making appropriations for the year 1818, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, that said bill be entitled "an act."

Ordered, that the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the senate by mr. Depauw,

mr. Speaker—I am directed to inform this house, that the senate have concurred in the report of the committee of free conference, on the disagreement between the two houses, on the amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house, entitled "an act for assessing and collecting revenue." The senate have appointed messrs. Depauw and Ferris a committee of conference on the part of the senate, to act with a similar committee on the part of this house, on the disagreement between the two houses, on the amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house, entitled "an act regulating grist mills and millers."

A message from the senate by mr. Pennington,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have concurred in the amendments made by this house, to the bill from the senate, entitled "an act to licence and regulate taverns."

A message from the senate by mr. Pennington.

mr. Speaker—I am instructed to inform this house, that the senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled

"an act for attaching a part of the county of Harrison to the county of Orange. and for the formation of a new county out of the counties of Harrison, Orange and Perry," and have made some amendments thereto, in which they desire the concurrence of this house; and then he withdrew And the said amendments were taken up and read and concurred in by this house.

Ordered, that MR. Slaughter inform the senate thereof.

The engrossed bill to amend the act, entitled "an act regulating the practice of physic and surgery," was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, that said bill be entitled "an act."

Ordered, that MR. Milroy inform the senate thereof, and desire their concurrence therein.

A message from the senate by MR. Baird,

MR. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill, entitled "an act providing for the election of county and township officers," to which they desire the concurrence of this house; and then he withdrew. And the said bill was read the first time, and on motion, the same was read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

The engrossed bill, providing for the appointment of county surveyors and their deputies, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, that said bill be entitled "an act."

Ordered, that MR. Stevens inform the senate thereof.

The joint resolution providing for printing the militia law, was taken up and read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading to morrow.

MR. Milroy gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill to tax bank dividends.

The house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the senate by MR. Baird,

MR. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill, entitled "an act providing for the re-printing of certain acts therein named," to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

A message from the senate by MR. Beggs,

MR. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill from this house entitled "an act incorporating the Jeffersonville Ohio Canal Company," and have made some amendments

to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house. The senate have also passed a bill from this house, entitled "an act authorising the granting of letters testamentary and letters of administration for the settlement of testates and intestates estates, and for other purposes," and have made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house; and then he withdrew. And the said amendments were taken up and read and concurred in by this house.

Ordered, that Mr. Daniel inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr Polke.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house entitled, "an act to authorise the proprietors of land in the lower and cathlenettes prairies in the county of Knox, to enclose the same; and have made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house. They have also passed the bill from this house, entitled, "an act for the relief of Henry Vanderburgh, deceased, and have made some amendments to the same; to which they desire the concurrence of this this house.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house entitled, "an act to reduce into one all acts and parts of acts relative to crime and punishment," were taken up and read and concurred in by this house, except the one made by striking out the 2d section, and the amendments made by striking out a part of the third section to the proviso, and to the 4th, 5th, 8th, 9th and to the 10th by striking out the proviso therein, and the amendment made by striking out the 24th, 56th, 61st, 63rd, 69th, 70th 75th, and 77th sections thereof. and the amendments to the 32d, 60th, 64th, 66th and 67th sections of said bill, in which this house refused to concur.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The bill reducing into one all acts and parts of acts regulating proceeding in suits at law and in chancery, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, 'an act.'

Ordered, That Mr. Stevens inform the senate thereof.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill incorporating the Jeffersonville Ohio Canal Company, were taken up and read, and on the question, will the house concur in said amendments? it was decided in the negative.

Ordered, That *Mr*, Carr inform the senate thereof.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house entitled, "an act to authorise the proprietors of land in the lower and cathlenettes prairies, in Knox county, to enclose the same, were taken up and read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan inform the senate thereof.

The bill from the senate entitled, 'an act for re-printing certain laws therein named, was taken up and read the first time, and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee of free conference on the disagreement between the two houses, on the amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house entitled, 'an act providing for assessing and collecting the revenue, reported the agreement of said committee; which being read was concurred in by this house.

Ordered, That Mr. Stevens inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Stevens gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill for the relief of James Noble, Esq.

On motion,

The vote heretofore taken, indefinitely postponing the further consideration of the bill providing for public roads and highways, was reconsidered—and on motion, the said bill was re-committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for this day—and on motion, the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on said bill, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Little reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made several amendments to the same; in which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Mr. Conner then moved to amend said bill by striking out the words '*under fifty*;' and on the question, shall the said bill be so amended, it was decided in the negative, and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Conner and Holman, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,
Messrs. Beggs,	Messrs. Bryson,
Boon,	Campbell,
Buntin,	Chambers,
Conner,	Cotton,
Daniel,	Dunn,
Hill,	Graham,
Holman,	Hunt,
Littell,	Little,
M'Clure,	Lynn,
Scott,	Milroy,
Snowden,	Powell,
and	Stevens,
Sullivan—12.	Slaughter,
	Zenor, and
	Lane, Speaker—15.

Mr. Boon then moved to amend said bill by striking out the 23d section thereof; and on that question, it was decided in the negative, and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Boon and *M'*Clure, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,
Messrs. Boon,	Messrs. Bryson,
Buntin,	Cotton,
Campbell,	Dunn,
Chambers,	Ferguson,
Conner,	Graham,
Daniel,	Hill,
Littell,	Holman,
Lynn,	Hunt,
M'Clure,	Little
Milroy,	Powell,
Scott,	Stevens,
Snowden,	Slaughter,
and	Zenor, and
Sullivan,—13.	Lane, (Sp.)—14.

Ordered, that said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke.

Mr. Speaker.—I am directed to inform this house, that the senate have receded from their amendments to the bill from this house incorporating the Jeffersonville Ohio Canal Company.

A message from the senate by Mr. Montgomery.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed to inform this house that the President of the Senate has signed the enrollled bill entitled, "an act for the relief of the poor"—the enrolled bill entitled, 'an act for the relief of John Hurst, jr. late sheriff of Harrison County'—and the enrolled bill enti-

tled, 'an act supplemental to an act to establish and regulate ferries'—and he withdrew—

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow-morning nine o'clock.

SATURDAY, Jan. 24.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported, that said committee had examined the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for the safe keeping of prisoners committed under the authority of the United States, into any of the jails of this state, and for other purposes:" and the enrolled bill entitled, "an act to regulate marriages," and found the same truly enrolled; whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Cotton, from the select committee appointed to take into consideration the expediency of providing by law for the election of a Governor in case of a vacancy, which may at any time take place in this state, in consequence of the death, resignation or removal from office of any Governor of this state, reported, that said committee had had the subject under consideration, and are of opinion that the constitution amply provides for all the supposed difficulties; in which report the house concurred.

Mr. Sullivan, having obtained leave, presented a joint resolution on the subject of printing the local acts of this General Assembly, which was read the first and second times, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading to-day.

Mr. Daniel, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported, that said committee did, on this day, present to his Excellency the Governor, for his approval and signature, the following enrolled bills entitled 'acts,' to wit: An act for the relief of John Hurst, jr. late sheriff of Harrison county:—An act supplemental to an act to establish and regulate ferries—and an act for the relief of the poor.

Mr. Stevens, from the select committee to whom was refered the bill providing for the summoning and empannelling grand and petit jurors, reported said bill with some amendments thereto; which was read a first and second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for this day.

Mr. Milroy, agreeably to notice, asked leave to introduce a bill taxing bank dividends, which leave was refused; and on that question, the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Milroy and Sullivan, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,	
Messrs. Carr,	Messrs. Beggs,	Dunn,
Little,	Boon,	Graham,
M'Clure,	Bryson,	Hill,
Milroy,	Campbell,	Holman,
Powell,	Chambers,	Lynn,
Snowden,	Conner.	Scott,
Stevens,	Cott-n.	and
Sullivan,	Daniel,	Slaughter—15.
Zenor &		
Lane, (Sp.) 10.		

A message from the senate by Mr. Depauw.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled, "an act to organize and regulate the militia," and have made some amendments to the same; to which they desire the concurrence of this house, and then he withdrew; and the said amendments were read and concurred in by this house.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Stevens, agreeably to notice, introduced a bill for the relief of the Honorable James Noble; which was read the first time; and on motion, Mr. Stevens obtained leave to withdraw said bill.

A message was received from the Governor, which was read, and is as follows:

To the Senate and house of Representatives of the State of Indiana,

Gentlemen,

Subsequent to the last session of the General Assembly, the gentlemen who had been elected by a joint ballot of that body, and commissioned presiding judges of the first and second judicial circuits within this state respectively resigned their appointments.

In conformity therefore to the provisions of the constitution, after mature deliberation, William Prince, Esq. was on the 8th of February last, appointed to fill the va-

cancy in the first, and Davis Floyd, Esq. on the 13th of October last. to fill the vacancy in the second circuit; believing their appointments would conduce to the public good, and that their official duties would be discharged with integrity. Their commissions, however, will expire with the close of the present General Assembly, and it will therefore become necessary that more permanent appointments be made before your adjournment shall take place. JONATHAN JENNINGS.

January, 24.

On motion of Mr. Milroy,

Resolved, by the house of representatives, That the senate be requested to meet the house of representatives in the Representative chamber, at two o'clock, P. M. on the 27th day of January, 1818, for the purpose of electing by ballot, a Circuit Judge, to fill the vacancy in the first circuit, occasioned by the resignation of the Hon. Benjamin Parke; and a Circuit Judge, to fill the vacancy in the second circuit, occasioned by the resignation of the Hon. David Raymond; and also to elect by ballot, a Circuit Judge to preside in the fourth circuit of this state; which election shall be conducted in the manner prescribed in the second section of an act entitled, "an act to provide for the election of Senators and Representatives from this state to the Congress of the United States—Approved January 3d 1817," and the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives shall certify to the Governor the persons so elected as Circuit Judges—and that the senate be informed thereof, and requested to pass a similar resolution.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill from this house entitled, 'an act for the relief of Abigail Dickison. administratrix of Ebenezer Dickison, deceased,' without amendment.

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill from this house entitled, "an act for the relief of suitors in the late general court for the county of Knox," without amendment.

The bill from the senate, entitled, 'an act providing for reprinting certain laws therein named,' was taken up and

read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for this day.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill from the senate, entitled, 'an act providing for the election of county and township officers,' and after some time spent therein, *Mr.* Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Boon reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same; to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house; except he amendment made to the fifth section of said bill by adding the following proviso, which is in these words: "*provided however*, nothing in this act shall be so construed as to vacate the commission of any justice of the peace, by the change of any township lines" —and on the question, will the house concur in said amendment? it was decided in the negative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Bryson and Stevens, the votes were as follows;

YEAS,	NAYS,
Messrs. Conner,	Messrs. Beggs,
Cotton,	Boon,
Dunn,	Bryson,
Ferguson,	Campbell,
Hunt,	Chambers,
Little,	Graham,
Littell,	Hill,
Powell,	Holman,
Scott	Milroy,
Slaughter,	Snowden,
and	Stevens,
Sullivan—11.	Zenor
	Lane, (Speaker.)—13.

Mr. Stevens then moved to amend said bill by adding in the 5th section thereof, immediately after the word township, these words, "or the lines thereof be so altered as to leave him without the bounds of such township"—and on the question, shall the said bill be so amended? it was decided in the affirmative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Little and Sullivan, the votes were as follows:

YEAS	NAYS.
Messrs. Beggs,	Messrs Conner,
Boon,	Cotton,
Bryson,	Dunn,
Campbell,	Ferguson,
Chambers,	Hunt,
Graham,	Little,
Hill,	Littell,
Holman,	Powell,
Milroy,	Scott.
Snowden,	Slaughter
Stevens,	and
Zenor &	Sullivan.—11.
Lane, Speaker:—13.	

On motion,

The said bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Boon inform the senate thereof.

On motion,

The house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The engrossed joint resolution, providing for printing the local and special acts of this General Assembly, and for other purposes, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered. That Mr. Sullivan inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills reported, that said committee had examined the enrolled bill entitled, 'an act for the prevention of frauds and perjuries.'—the enrolled bill entitled, 'an act concerning the stock of non-residents running in the range in this state,'—the enrolled bill entitled, 'an act to vacate the town of Vienna,'—and the enrolled bill entitled, 'an act for the relief of sundry inhabitants of Perry County, and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee for enrolled bills reported, that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill entitled, 'an act regulating divorces,' and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Depauw.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have come to the following resolution:

"*Resolved*, That the senate meet the house of representatives in the Representative Chamber, at two o'clock, P. M. on the 27th inst. for the purpose of electing by joint ballot of both houses, three Presidents of Judicial Circuits, as stated in a resolution of the house of representatives of this date, and to be conducted, transacted and certified, in manner and form, as pointed out in said resolution, and that the house of representatives be informed thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Conner.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house entitled, "an act reducing into one act, all acts and parts of acts regulating proceedings in actions at law and suits in chancery." and have made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of this house, and then he withdrew, and the said amendments were read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan.

Resolved by the house of representatives, That the senate be requested to meet the house of representatives in the Representative Chamber, at 2 o'clock, P. M. on the 27th day of January, 1818, for the purpose of electing by ballot three directors, to represent the state in the State Bank of Indiana; which election shall be conducted in the manner prescribed in the second section of the act entitled, an act to provide for the election of Senators and Representatives from this State to the Congress of the United States' —Approved Jan. 3d, 1817—and that the senate be informed thereof.

The joint resolution providing for the stitching and binding of the acts and journals of this General Assembly, was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed and read the third time on Monday next.

The house, according to the order of the day, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill regulating the mode of summoning and empanneling grand and petit jurors, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Graham reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's

table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Mr. Conner then moved, that the further consideration of said bill be indefinitely postponed, and on that question, the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Conner and Powell, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,	
Messrs. Conner,	Messrs. Beggs,	Holman,
M'Clure	Boon,	Little,
and	Bryson,	Lynn,
Sullivan.—3.	Carr,	Milroy,
	Campbell,	Powell,
	Chambers,	Scott,
	Cotton,	Snowden,
	Dunn,	Stevens,
	Ferguson,	Zenor
	Graham,	and
	Hill,	Lane, Sp.—21.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed for a third reading on Monday next.

The amendments made by the senate, to the bill from this house, entitled "an act for the relief of the heirs of Henry Venderburgh, decd," were taken up and read, and concurred in by this house.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

On motion,

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the joint resolution, providing for printing the militia law, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Daniel reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said resolution under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, to which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's table, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That the said resolution be engrossed and read a third time on Monday next.

And then the house adjourned until 6 o'clock, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed to inform this house, that

the senate have concurred in the amendments made by this house, to the bill from the senate, entitled "an act providing for the election of county and township officers;" and have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act to authorise Morgan Eaton and William Ledgerwood to build a toll bridge across Bussereau creek,' without amendment; and have receded from their amendments, which are not concurred in by this house, to the bill, entitled "an act reducing into one act, all acts and parts of acts relative to crime and punishment," except the following:—The amendment to the 4th section; the amendment to the 5th section, except their amendment to the same section, by striking out the words "by violence and putting in fear," from which they recede; and also insist on all their amendments to the 8th, 9th, 10th, 24th, 32d, 34th, 36th, 61st, 63d, 66th, 68th, 69th, 70th and 77th sections of said bill; and then he withdrew. And the house proceeded to consider their objections to said amendments, and thereupon receded from their objections to the amendments in the 4th, 5th, 32d, 68th, 69th and 70th sections of said bill, and insist on their objections to the amendments in the 8th, 9th, 10th, 24th, 34th, 36th, 61st, 63d, 66th and 77th sections thereof; and on the question, will the house recede from ther objections to the amendment made by the senate, by striking out the 66th section of said bill, which prohibits the intermarriage of white persons with persons of color? It was decided in the negative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Boon and Hunt, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,	
Messrs. Dunn,	Messrs. Boon,	Littell,
Ferguson,	Bryson,	Lynn,
Hill,	Conner,	Milroy,
Holman,	Daniel,	Snowden,
Carr,	Graham,	Zenor and
Powell,	Hunt,	Lane, Sp.—13.
& Scott,—7.	Little	

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act for attaching the town of Liverpool to the town of Washington, in the county of Davies," and have made some amendments to the same, in which they desire the concurrence of this house; and then

he withdrew. And the said amendments were taken up and read, and concurred in by this house.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Depauw.

Mr. Speaker— The senate have passed the joint resolution concerning the Medical Society, and have made some amendments to the same, in which they desire the concurrence of this house.—Also, they have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act for the relief of sheriffs therein named," without amendment.—And have come to the following resolution:

Resolved, That the senate meet the house of representatives in the representative chamber at two o'clock, P. *M.* on the 27th inst. for the purpose of electing by joint ballot of both houses, three directors to represent this state in the State Bank of Indiana, to be conducted and certified in the manner prescribed in a resolution of the house of representatives of this date, for the purpose aforesaid;—and that the house of representatives be informed thereof"

Mr. Beggs, in consequence of sickness in his family, asked and obtained leave of absence from to morrow until the end of the session.

And the house adjourned until *Monday* morning, nine o'clock.

MONDAY, Jan. 26.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Stevens,

Ordered, That a committee of free conference be appointed on the part of this house, to act with such as may be appointed by the senate, on the disagreement of the two houses on the amendments made by the senate, to the bill from this house, entitled "an act reducing into one act, all the acts and parts of acts on the subject of crime and punishment;" and thereupon *Messrs.* Stevens and Daniel were appointed that committee.

Ordered, That Mr. Stevens inform the senate thereof, and request a similar committee on their part.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee for enrolled bills reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act concerning proceedings in ejectment, distress for rent and tenants at will holding over," and the enrolled bill, entitled "an act regulating enclosures,"

and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill, entitled "an act authorising Jane Dubois, administratrix and William Jones and Tussant Dubois, administrators of Tussant Dubois, decd. to sell and convey a certain house and lot in the Borough of Vincennes, and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this house; and he withdrew. And the said bill was taken up and read the first time, and on motion, the rules of the house were dispensed with, and the said bill was read the second and third time, and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. M'Clure inform the senate thereof.

The engrossed bill regulating the mode of summoning and empanneling grand and petit jurors, was taken up and read the third time and passed; and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays being demanded by *Messrs*, Sullivan and Daniel, the votes were as follows;

YEAS,		NAYS,	
Messrs. Bryan,	Hunt,	Messrs. Buntin,	
Bryson,	Little,	Conner,	
Carr,	Littell,	Daniel,	
Campbell,	Lynn,	M'Clure	
Chambers,	Milroy,	and	
Cotton,	Powell,	Sullivan—5.	
Dunn,	Scott,		
Ferguson,	Snowden,		
Graham,	Stevens,		
Hill,	Zenor and		
Holman.	Lane, (Speaker)—22.		

Ordered, That said bill be entitled "an act,"

Ordered, That Mr. Cotton inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris,

Mr. Speaker—I am instructed by the senate to inform this house, that the senate have appointed *Messrs.* Ferris and Polke a committee of free conference, to act with a similar committee appointed by this house, on the disagreement of the two houses, on the amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house, entitled "an act to reduce into one act, all acts and parts of acts relative to crime and punishment."

The amendments made by the senate, to the joint res-

[illegible] from this house, concerning the Medical Society, were taken up, read and concurred in by this house.

Ordered, That Mr. Cotton inform the senate thereof.

The engrossed joint resolution, providing for the printing of the militia law, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The engrossed joint resolution, providing for the stitching and binding of the acts and journals of this general assembly, was taken up and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Littell inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Boon moved that the further consideration of the bill providing for public roads and highways, be indefinitely postponed, and on that question, it was decided in the negative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Boon and Milroy, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,
Messrs. Boon,	Messrs. Bryson,
Buntin,	Chambers,
Carr,	Cotton,
Campbell,	Dunn,
Conner,	Holman,
Daniel,	Hunt,
Ferguson,	Little,
Graham,	Milroy,
Hill,	Powell,
Littell,	Scott,
Lynn,	Slaughter,
Snowden,	Sullivan,
and	Zenor, and
Stevens—13.	Lane, (Sp.)—14.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed an engrossed bill from this house, entitled "an act regulating the mode of summoning and empanneling grand and petit jurors," and have made some amendments to the same, in which they desire the concurrence of this house.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill from the senate, entitled "an act providing for re-printing certain acts therein named," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Conner reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made some amendments to the same, in which they desire the concurrence of the house; which amendments he handed in at the clerk's ta-

ble, where they were again read and concurred in by the house.

On motion, the said bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Graham inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a joint resolution concerning election districts, and for other purposes, to which they desire the concurrence of this house; and he witdrew.

The amendments made by the senate, to the bill from this house, entitled "an act regulating the mode of summoning and empanneling grand and petit jurors," were taken up and read, and concurred in by this house.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

The joint resolution from the senate, concerning election districts, was taken up and read the first time, and on motion, the rules of the house were dispensed with, and the same was read a second and third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Boon inform the senate thereof.

And then the house adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee of free conference, on the subject of the disagreement between the two houses, on the amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house, entitled "an act to reduce into one act, all acts and parts of acts relative to crime and punishment," reported the agreement of said committee, which was read and concurred in by the house, except so much of said agreement as authorises that part of said bill to be stricken out, which prohibits the intermarriage of white persons with persons of color; and on the question, will the house concur in that part of said agreement? It was decided in the negative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Milroy and Conner, the votes were as follows:

YEAS,	NAYS,
Messrs. Carr,	Messrs Boon,
Chambers,	Buntin,
Daniel,	Campbell,
Dunn,	Conner,
Ferguson,	Cotton,
Hill,	Graham,
Holman,	Hunt,
Powell,	Little,
Scott,	Lucas,
Stevens,	Lynn,
and	M'Clure,
Lane, [Speaker.]—11.	Milroy,
	Snowden,
	Slaughter,
	Sullivan and
	Zion.—16.

Ordered. That the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Montgomery.

Mr. Speaker—The President of the senate has signed the following enrolled bills, entitled "acts," to wit:

An act regulating divorces.

An act for the prevention of frauds and perjuries.

An act for the relief of sundry inhabitants of Perry county.

An act to vacate the town of Vienna.

An act concerning the stock of non residents running at large within this state.

An act for the safe keeping of prisoners committed under the authority of the United States, into any of the jails of this state.

An act respecting public seminaries and for other purposes.

And an act to regulate marriages; and he withdrew.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee did on this day, present the above named acts to the Governor for his approval and signature.

A message from the senate by Mr. Doty,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act fixing the salaries of certain officers, and for other purposes," and have made an amendment to the same, in which they desire the concurrence of this house; and then he withdrew. And the said amendment was taken up and read, and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by *Mr.* Depauw,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill to incorporate a county library in the county of Dubois, to which they desire the concurrence of this house.

A message from the senate by Mr. Conner,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act providing for county surveyors and their deputies, and have made some amendments to the same, in which they desire the concurrence of this house. The senate have refused to concur in the amendments made by this house, to the joint resolution from the senate, entitled "a joint resolution, providing for re-printing certain laws"; and he withdrew. And the house proceeded to consider said amendments, and adhered to the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan inform the senate thereof.

The amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house providing for the appointment of county surveyors and their deputies were taken up and read and concurred in by this house.

Ordered, That *Mr.* Milroy inform the senate thereof.

The engrossed bill from the senate entitled. "an act incorporating a county library in the county of Dubois, was taken up and read the first time; and, on motion, the rules of the house were dispensed with, and the said bill was then read the second and third times and passed.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

And then then the house adjourned until six o'clock, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the senate by Mr. Montgomery.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a joint resolution relative to Posey county, in which they desire the concurrence of this house; and the said resolution was read the first and second times, and committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for this day: and on motion, the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on said resolution, and after some time spent therein, *Mr.* Speaker resumed the chair and Mr. Stevens reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had said resolution under

consideration, and had made an amendment thereto, in which they desire the concurrence of the house.

On motion,

The house concurred in said amendment.

The said resolution was then read the third time, and on the question, Shall this resolution pass? it was decided in the affirmative, and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Stevens and Conner, the votes were as follows:

	YEAS,		NAYS,
Messrs.	Boon,	Messrs.	Dunn,
	Carr,		Hunt,
	Campbell,		Ferguson,
	Chambers,		
	Conner,		Milroy,
	Cotton,		Powell,
	Graham,		Snowden,
	Hill,		Stevens,
	Holman,		and
	Littell,		Slaughter.—8.
	Lynn,		
	Scott,		
	Sullivan, &		
	Lane, Speaker—14.		

Ordered, That Mr. Lynn inform the senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Stevens,

Messrs. Sullivan and Graham were appointed a second commitee of free conference to act with such as may be appointed on the part of the senate, on the disagreement between the two houses, on the subject of the amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house entitled, "an act reducing into one act, all acts and parts of acts relative to crime and punishment.

Ordered, That Mr. Graham inform the senate thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have concurred in the report of the committee of free conference on the subject of the amendments made by the senate to bill from this house, entitled, "an act to reduce into one act all acts and parts of acts relative to crime and punishment.

A message from the senate by Mr. Montgomery.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have concurred in the amendment made by this house to the bill from the senate

entitled "an act to incorporate a county library in the county of Dubois."

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

TUESDAY, Jan. 27.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill entided "an act to provide for the election of county and township officers;"—the enrolled bill entitled "an act to licence and regulate taverns;" and the enrolled joint resolution concerning election districts, and for other purposes, and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

Mr. M'Clure, from the committee to whom was refered the petition of James G. Reed and others, praying for a road leading from Washington in the county of Davies, to Fort Harrison, reported that the said committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that the prayers of the petitioners is reasonable, but cannot be attended to at this time. On motion, the house concurred in said report.

And then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the senate by Mr. Montgomery,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed to inform this house, that the President of the senate has signed the following enrolled bills, entitled "acts," to wit: An enrolled bill entitled "an act regulating enclosures," and an act concercerning proceedings in ejectment, distress for rent and tenants at will holding over.

A message from the senate by Mr. Depauw,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that the senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act dividing the state into four circuits and fixing the times of holding courts therein," and have made some amendments to the same, in which they desire the concurrence of this house; and then he withdrew. And the said amendments were taken up and read, and concurred in by the house, except the one made in 6th line of

the first section of said bill, by inserting the word "Crawford," and the one made in the second section of said bill, by striking out the word "Jefferson" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Jennings," and the amendments made in the 3d and 4th sections of said bill, relative to the times of holding courts.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs.

Mr. Speaker—I am instructed by the senate, to inform this house, that the senate have receded from all their amendments to the bill from this house, entitled "an act dividing the state into four circuits and fixing the times of holding courts therein," which were not concurred in by this house.

A message from the senate by Mr. Depauw,

Mr Speaker—The senate have passed a bill, supplementary to the act, entitled "an act for fixing the seats of justice in all new counties hereafter to be laid off," in which they desire the concurrence of this house.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, entitled "an act making appropriations for the year eighteen hundred and eighteen," and have made some amendments to the same, in which they desire the concurrence of this house.

A message from the senate by Mr. *Montgomery*.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house, authorising the agent of Warrick county to reconvey to Hugh M'Gary, a certain tract or parcel of land at the town of Evansville, without any amendment thereto.

A message from the senate by Mr. Conner,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have appointed Mr Depauw tellor on their part, to receive and count the votes given for circuit judges and directors for the state bank.

On motion of Mr. Boon,

Ordered, That Mr. *Mi*lroy be appointed tellor on the part of this house, to receive and count the votes given for circuit judges and directors for the state bank.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

And then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion,

Ordered, That the senate be informed that the house of

representatives are now ready to proceed to the election of circuit judges and directors of the state bank of Indiana: Whereupon the senate came in and took their seats in the representative chamber; and thereupon the two houses proceeded by joint ballot, to elect a circuit judge to preside in the first judicial circuit of the state of Indiana; which being finished, it appeared, upon examination, that the honorable William Prince was unanimously elected. Whereupon the President of the senate, in presence of both houses of the general assembly, proclaimed the said William Prince duly elected presiding judge of the first judicial circuit of the state of Indiana.

The two houses then proceeded by joint ballot, to elect a circuit judge to preside in the second judicial circuit of the state of Indiana, and after the votes were all taken and the ballots counted, it appeared that the honorable Davis Floyd was duly elected: Whereupon the President of the senate, in presence of both houses of the general assembly, proclaimed the said Davis Floyd duly elected presiding judge of the second judicial circuit of the state of Indiana.

The two houses then proceeded by joint ballot, to elect a circuit judge to preside in the fourth judicial circuit of the state of Indiana, which being finished, upon examination, it appeared that the honorable David Hart was duly elected: Whereupon the President of the senate, in presence of both houses of the general assembly, proclaimed the said David Hart duly elected presiding judge of the forth judicial circuit of the state of Indiana.

The two houses then proceeded by joint ballot, to elect three directors to represent this state in the state bank of Indiana, which being finished, it appeared upon examination, that Ratcliff Boon, George R. C. Sullivan and Stephen C. Stevens were each duly elected: Whereupon the President of the senate, in presence of both houses of the general assembly, proclaimed the said Ratcliff Boon, George R. C. Sullivan and Stephen C. Stevens duly elected directors of the state bank of Indiana.

The senate then retired to their chamber.

Mr. Conner asked and obtained leave of absence, from to-morrow until the end of the present session.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled

bill, entitled "an act authorising Jane Debois, William Jones and Tussant Dubois, executors of Tussant Dubois decd. to sell and convey a certain house and lot in the borough of Vincennes;"—the enrolled bill, entitled "an act to incorporate a county library in the county of Dubois and other counties therein named," and found the same truly enrolled; whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

And then the house adjourned until 6 o'clock.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs,

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill, authorising the trustees and the original proprietors of the town of New-Albany to alter the plat thereof, to which they desire the concurrence of this house; and he withdrew.—And the said bill was read the first time, and the rules of the house were dispensed with, and the said bill was read a second time and committed to a committee of the whole house and made the order of the day for this day.

And on motion,

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on said bill, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Little reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had made an amendment to the same, in which they desire the concurrence of the house. On motion, the house concurred in said amendment

The said bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a bill to attach the county of Crawford to the second circuit, to which they desire the concurrence of this house, and then he withdrew; and the said bill was read the first time, and the rules of the house were dispensed with, and the said bill was read a second and third time and passed.

Ordered, That Mr. Daniel inform the senate thereof.

A message from the Governor by Mr. Thomasson.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor, to inform this house, that he did, on the 26th inst.,

t pprove and sign the following enrolled bills, entitled 'acts,' o wit:

An act regulating divorces—

An act to vacate the town of Vienna—

An act concerning the stock of non-residents running at large in this state—

An act for the relief of sundry inhabitants of Perry county—and

An act to prevent frauds and perjuries.

The bill from the senate entitled, "an act supplemental to an act for fixing the seats of justice in all new counties hereafter to be laid off," was taken up and read the first time, and the rules of the house were dispensed with, and and the said bill was then read the second time, & committed to a committee of the whole house, and made the order of the day for this day: and thereupon the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on said bill, and after some time spent therein. Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Boon reported, that the committee of the whole had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and had gone through the same, and made no amendment thereto, and directed him to report the same without amendment. The said bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Daniel, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported, that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled, "an act fixing the salaries of certain officers and for other purposes, and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled joint resolution relative to Posey county, and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr: Milroy,

Ordered, That the senate be requested to appoint a committee of free conference, on the disagreement between the two houses on the amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house, entitled, "an act to reduce into

one act all acts and parts of acts relative to crime and punishment"

A message from the senate by Mr. Polke.

Mr. Speaker—I am instructed by the senate to inform this house, that the senate have appointed Messrs. Ferris and Polke, a committee of conference on their part to act with such as may be appointed on the part of the house of representatives on the disagreement between the two houses on the amendments made by the senate to the bill entitled, "an act making appropriations for the year 1818—and then he withdrew—and, on motion, Messrs. Sullivan and Little were appointed a committee of conference on the part of this house on said bill.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house that the senate have concurred in the amendments made by this house to the bill from the senate entitled, "an act authorising the trustees and the original proprietors of the town of New-Albany, to alter the plat thereof."

Mr. Sullivan from the committee of conference on the disagrement between the two houses on the amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house entitled, "an act making appropriations for the year 1818, reported the agreement of said committee, in which agreement the house concurred.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Beggs.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have appointed Messrs. Beggs and Pennington, a committee of free conference on the disagreement between the two houses on the bill to reduce into one all acts and parts of acts relative to crime and punishment.

On motion,

The house adjourned until to-morrow morning seven o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 28.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ferguson from the committee for enrolled bills, reported, that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill entitled, "an act to organize and regulate the militia," and the enrolled bill entitled, "an act to reduce into one

act all acts and parts of acts regulating proceedings in actions at law and suits in chancery," and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Slaughter inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported, that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill entitled, "an act dividing the state into four circuits and fixing the times of holding courts therein." and the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for assessing and collecting revenue," and found the same truly enrolled: Whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Daniel,

Ordered, That a committee of one be appointed to superintend the immediate printing of ten copies for each of the counties in this state of the bill for assessing and collecting the revenue and the bill dividing the state into four circuits, and fixing the times of holding courts therein: and thereupon Mr. Slaughter was appointed that committee.

The engrossed bill providing for public roads and highways, was taken up and read the third time and passed

Ordered, That said bill be entitled, "an act providing for public roads and highways.

Ordered, That Mr. Milroy inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Little introduced a joint resolution providing for printing with the laws a statement of public expenditures, which was read the first time, and the rules of the house were dispensed with, and the same was read a second and third time and passed.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported, that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for the relief of sundry suitors in the late General Court of Knox county"—the enrolled bill entitled, 'an act concerning trespassing animals'—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for the relief of Abigail Dickison, administratrix of Ebenezer Dickison, dec'd"—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for the appointment of county surveyors and their deputies"—the enrolled bill entitled, "an act regulating the mode of summoning and empannelling grand and petit jurors"—the enrolled bill entitled, "an

act authorising the agent of Waarick county, to re-convey to Hugh *M*'Gary, a certain tract of land at the town of Evansville"—and a joint resolution concerning the Medical Society of Indiana—and found the same truly enrolled—whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Powell inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee of free conference on the disagreement of the two houses on the amendments made by the senate to the bill from this house, entitled, 'an act to reduce into one act all acts and parts of acts relative to crime and punishment,' reported the agreement of said committee; which was concurred in by this house.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the Governor by *Mr.* New.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor, to inform this house, that he did, on this day, approve and sign the enrolled bill entitled 'an act regulating proceedings in ejectment, distress for rent, and tenants at will holding over.'

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have concurred in the report of the committee of free conference on the bill entitled, 'an act to reduce into one all acts and parts of acts relative to crime and punishment—and then he withdrew.

And, on motion, the house adjourned until one o'clock, P. *M.*

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed the bill from this house entitled, "an act providing for public roads and highways, and have made some amendments to the same; to which they desire the concurrence of this house—and then he withdrew—and the said amendments were taken up and read and concurred in by this house.

Ordered, That Mr. Scott inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported, that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill regulating the duties and jurisdiction of justices of the peace, and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Ferguson reported that the committee for enrolled

bills had, on this day presented to the Governor for his approval and signature, the following enrolled bills, entitled "acts," to wit: An act for assessing and collecting revenue.—An act regulating the militia.—An act to divide the state into four circuits, and fixing the times of holding courts therein.—An act authorising Jane Dubois executrix, and William Jones and Tousant Dubois executors of Tousaint Dubois, dec'd, to convey a house and lot or parcel of ground in the borough of Vincennes, and for other purposes.—An act incorporating a county library in the county of Dubois and other counties therein named.—A joint resolution relative to Posey county.—An act to reduce into one all acts and parts of acts now in force in this state, regulating the proceedings in actions at law and suits in chancery.—An act fixing the salaries of certain officers and for other purposes.—A joint resolution respecting the Medical Society of Indiana.—An act authorising the agent of Warrick county to re convey to Hugh M'Gary a certain tract or parcel of land at the town of Evansville.—An act regulating the mode of summoning grand and petit juries.—An act for the relief of Abigail Dickison administratrix of Ebenezer Dickison dec'd.—An act concerning trespassing animals.—An act for the relief of sundry suitors in the late General Court in the county of Knox and—An act for the appointment of county surveyors and their deputies.

A message from the senate by Mr. Montgomery.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a joint resolution respecting certain oaths, in which they desire the concurrence of this house, and then he withdrew: and the said resolution was taken up and read the first time, and Mr. Boon then moved that the further consideration of said resolution be indefinitely postponed; which motion was decided in the negative.

Mr. Daniel then moved to amend said resolution by striking it out from the enacting clause, and inserting in lieu thereof, a section repealing all laws and parts of laws now in force in this state against duelling; and on the question, Shall the said resolution be so amended? it was decided in the negative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Stevens and Dunn, the votes were as follows:

	YEAS,		NAYS,
Messrs.	Boon,	Messrs.	Bryson,
	Buntin,		Carr,
	Chambers,		Campbell,
	Daniel,		Cotton,
	Hunt,		Dunn,
	Little,		Ferguson,
	Littell,		Graham,
	Lynn,		Hill,
	M'Clure,		Holman,
	Snowden,		Milroy,
	Slaughter,		Powell,
	and		Scott,
	Sullivan.—12.		Stevens,
			Zenor, &
			Lane, Speaker.—15.

On motion of Mr. Stevens, the further consideration of said resolution was postponed until the first Monday in December next.

A message from the Governor by Mr. Thomasson.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor, to inform this house that he did, on this day, approve and sign the following enrolled bills, entitled 'acts,' to wit: An act for assessing and collecting the revenue.—An act to divide the state into four circuits, and fixing the times of holding courts therein.—An act regulating the militia, and—An act fixing the salaries of certain officers, and for other purposes.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that they have appointed Messrs. Ferris and Polke a committee of conference on the disagreement between the two houses, on the joint resolution for printing certain acts therein named, and then he withdrew; and, on motion, Messrs. Cotton and Dunn were appointed a committee of conference on the part of this house on said bill.

Mr. Little, from the committee of conference on the disagreement between the two houses on the amendments made to the bill entitled, "an act regulating grist mills and millers," reported the agreement of said committee, and in which the house concurred.

A message from the senate by Mr. Depauw.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have concurred in the report

of the committee of conference on the disagreement between the two houses on the amendments to the bill, entitled "act regulating grist mills and millers."

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported, that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill incorporating the Jeffersonville Ohio Canal Company; and the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for the relief of occupying claimants to land," and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Dunn, from the committee of conference on the disagreement of the two houses on the bill for printing certain acts therein named, reported the agreement of said committee: and, on motion, the house concurred in the same. *Ordered*, That the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Pennington.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have concurred in the report of the committee of conference, on the bill providing for the printing of certain acts therein named.

A message from the Governor by Mr. New.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor, to inform this house that he did, on this day, approve and sign the following enrolled bills, entitled "acts," to wit: The enrolled bill entitled, "An act authorising the agent of Warrick county to re-convey to Hugh M'Gary, a certain tract of land at the town of Evansville. An act for the appointment of county surveyors and their deputies. An act concerning trespassing animals. An act for the relief of Abigail Dickison, administratrix of Ebenezer Dickison, deceased. An act regulating the mode of summoning and empanneling grand and petit jurors. An act for the relief of sundry suitors in the late General Court in the county of Knox: and a joint resolution respecting the Medical Societies of Indiana.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris.

Mr. Speaker—The President of the Senate has signed the enrolled bill entitled, "an act incorporating the Jeffersonville Ohio Canal Company:" the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for the relief of occupying claimants to lands," and the enrolled bill entitled, 'an act regulating the duties and jurisdiction of justices of the peace,' and then he withdrew —and Mr. Ferguson from the committee for enrolled bills reported, that the said committee had this day presented

the above named bills to the Governor for his approbation and signature.

A message from the senate by Mr. Baird.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house that the senate have passed the engrossed bill from this house entitled, "an act authorising the printing and distributing the acts and journals of this General Assembly," and have made several amendments thereto; in which they desire the concurrence of this house, and he then withdrew; and the said amendments were taken up and read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Daniel, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported, that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill entitled, "an act to attach the county of Crawford to the second circuit;" and the enrolled bill entitled, "an act authorising the trustees and original proprietors of the town of New-Albany to alter the plat thereof," and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the senate by *Mr.* Montgomery.

Mr. Speaker—The President of the Senate has signed the enrolled bill entitled, "an act to provide for the election of county and township officers;" the enrolled bill entitled, "an act to licence and regulate taverns;" a joint resolution concerning election districts and for other purposes, and then he withdrew. And Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported, that the said committee had presented the above named bills, since the signing thereof by the President of the Senate, to his Excellency the Governor for his approval and signature.

A message from the senate by Mr. Depauw.

Mr. Speaker—The senate have passed a joint resolution from this house, respecting the printing of the militia law, and have made some amendments to the same; in which they desire the concurrence of this house, and then he withdrew: and the said amendments were taken up and read and concurred in by the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Milroy inform the senate thereof.

Mr. Boon asked and obtained leave of absence from tomorrow morning until the end of the present session.

A message from the senate by Mr. Conner.

Mr. Speaker---The senate have passed a joint resolution from this house for printing with the laws a statement of public expenditures, without amendment.

And then the house adjourned until 7 o'clock.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported, that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill entitled, "an act for attaching a part of the county of Harrison to the county of Orange, and for other purposes" ---the joint resolution for printing the militia law; and the joint resolution for printing with the laws a statement of public expenditures; and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, that the senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act authorising the printing and distributing of the laws of this state."—The enrolled bill, entitled "an act supplemental to an act fixing the seats of justice in all new counties hereafter to be laid off."—And the enrolled bill, entitled "an act regulating grist mills and millers," and found the same truly enrolled: Whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the Governor by Mr. New,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor to inform this house, that he did on this day, approve and sign the following enrolled bills, entitled "acts," to wit:—An act for the relief of occupying claimants.—An act incorporating the Jeffersonville Ohio Canal Company.—An act to reduce into one, all acts and parts of acts now in force in this state, regulating proceedings in actions at law and suits in chancery —And an act regulating the jurisdiction of justices of the peace.

And then the house adjourned until to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

THURSDAY, Jan. 29.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the Governor by Mr. New,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor to inform this house, that he did on this day, ap-

prove and sign an act, authorising the printing and distributing the laws of this state.—An act for attaching a part of the county of Harrison to the county of Orange, and for other purposes.—A joint resolution respecting the printing with the laws a statement of public expenditures.—And a joint resolution to provide for printing the militia law.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act authorising the proprietors of lands in the lower and Cathlinette prairies to enclose the same:" The enrolled bill, entitled "an act for the relief of the sheriffs therein named." The enrolled bill, entitled "an act making bonds, bills and promissory notes negotiable and assignable"—And an enrolled bill, entitled "an act to prevent waste on lands reserved for the use of schools and salt springs," and found the same truly enrolled:—Whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act for the relief of insolvent debtors."—The enrolled bill, entitled "an act authorising and regulating arbitrations"—And the enrolled bill, entitled "an act to authorise William Wright to build a toll bridge over Silver creek," and found the same truly enrolled:—Whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Sullivan, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act to authorise Morgan Eaton and William Ledgerwood to build a toll bridge across Bussereau creek."—The enrolled bill, entitled "an act making appropriations for the year one thousand eight hundred and eighteen"—And the enrolled bill, entitled "an act attaching the town of Liverpool to the town of Washington in the county of Dubois," and found the same truly enrolled: Whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Montgomery.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that the President of the senate has signed the act authorising and regulating arbitrations.—The act for

the relief of insolvent debtors.—The act authorising William Wright to build a toll bridge across Silver creek.—The act to authorise the proprietors of land in the lower and Cathlinette prairies, in the county of Knox to enclose the same.—The act for the relief of sheriffs therein named.—The act to provide for re-printing certain laws therein named.—The act making promissory notes, bonds and inland bills of exchange negotiable and assignable.—The act to prevent waste on lands reserved for the use of schools and salt springs.—The act to authorise Morgan Eaton and William Ledgerwood to build a toll bridge across Busserean creek.—The act making appropriations for the year one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.—And the act attaching the town of Liverpool to the town of Washington in the county of Davies; and then he withdrew.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee did on this day, present the above named acts to the Governor for his approbation and signature.

And then the house adjourned for one hour.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ferguson, from the committee for enrolled bills, reported that the said committee had examined the enrolled bill, entitled "an act for opening and repairing of public roads and highways."—The enrolled bill, entitled "an act authorising the granting of letters testamentary and letters of administration."—And the enrolled bill, entitled "an act to reduce into one, all acts and parts of acts relative to crime and punishment," and found the same truly enrolled: whereupon the Speaker signed the same.

Ordered, That the senate be informed thereof.

A message from the senate by Mr. Ferris.

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the senate to inform this house, that the President of the senate has signed the act for opening and repairing public roads and highways.—The act authorising the granting of letters testamentary and letters of administration.—The act for the relief of the heirs of Henry Vanderburgh decd.—And the act to reduce into one, all acts and parts of acts relative to crime and punishment; and then he withdrew.

Mr. Ferguson, reported that the committee for enrolled bills had on this day, presented to the Governor the above named bills for his approbation and signature.

Mr. Sullivan moved to re consider the vote taken yesterday, postponing the join resolution from the senate, respecting certain oaths, and on the question, will the house re-consider said vote? It was decided in the negative; and the yeas and nays being demanded by two members, the votes were as follows:

	YEAS,	NAYS,	
Messrs.	Buntin,	Messrs. Bryson,	Hunt,
	Chambers,	Carr,	Little,
	M'Clure,	Campbell,	Milroy,
	Snowden	Cotton,	Powell,
	and	Dunn,	Scott,
	Sullivan.—5.	Ferguson,	Stevens,
		Graham,	Slaughter,
		Hill,	and
		Holman,	Lane, Sp.—17.

A message from the Governor by Mr. New,

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor, to inform this house, that he did on this day, approve and sign the following acts: An act making promissory notes, bonds and inland bills of exchange negotiable and assignable.—An act for the relief of sheriffs therein named.—An act attaching the town of Liverpool to the town of Washington, the seat of justice of Davies county.—An act making appropriations for the year 1818.—An act to authorise Morgan Eaton and William Ledgerwood to build a toll bridge across Bussereau creek.—An act to prevent waste on lands reserved for the use of schools and salt springs.—An act to authorise William Wright to build a toll bridge across Silver creek.—An act for the relief of insolvent debtors.—An act authorising and regulating arbitrations.—An act to authorise the proprietors of lands in the lower and Cathlinette prairies to enclose the same, and for other purposes.—An act to reduce into one act, all acts and parts of acts relative to crime and punishment.—An act for the relief of the hiers of Henry Vanderburgh decd.—An act authorising the granting of letters testamentary and letters of administration.—An act for opening and repairing of public roads and highways.

On motion,

Ordered, That a committee be appointed to wait on his Excellency the Governor, and inform him that this house have gone through the business before them, and are now

ready to adjourn. And thereupon Mr. Milroy was appointed that committee.

A message was received from the senate by Mr. Dill, their Secretary, informing the house of representatives that the senate had gone through their business, and are ready to adjourn.

Mr. Milroy, from the committee appointed to wait on his Excellency the Governor and inform him that this house had gone through their business and were ready to adjourn, reported, that the said committee had performed that service, and that the Governor answered, that he had no further communications to make.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the senate that the house of representatives have gone through their business and are now ready to adjourn.

The clerk having delivered the message to the senate and returned, the Speaker adjourned the house *sine die*.

JOHN F. ROSS, C. H. R.

[THE END.]